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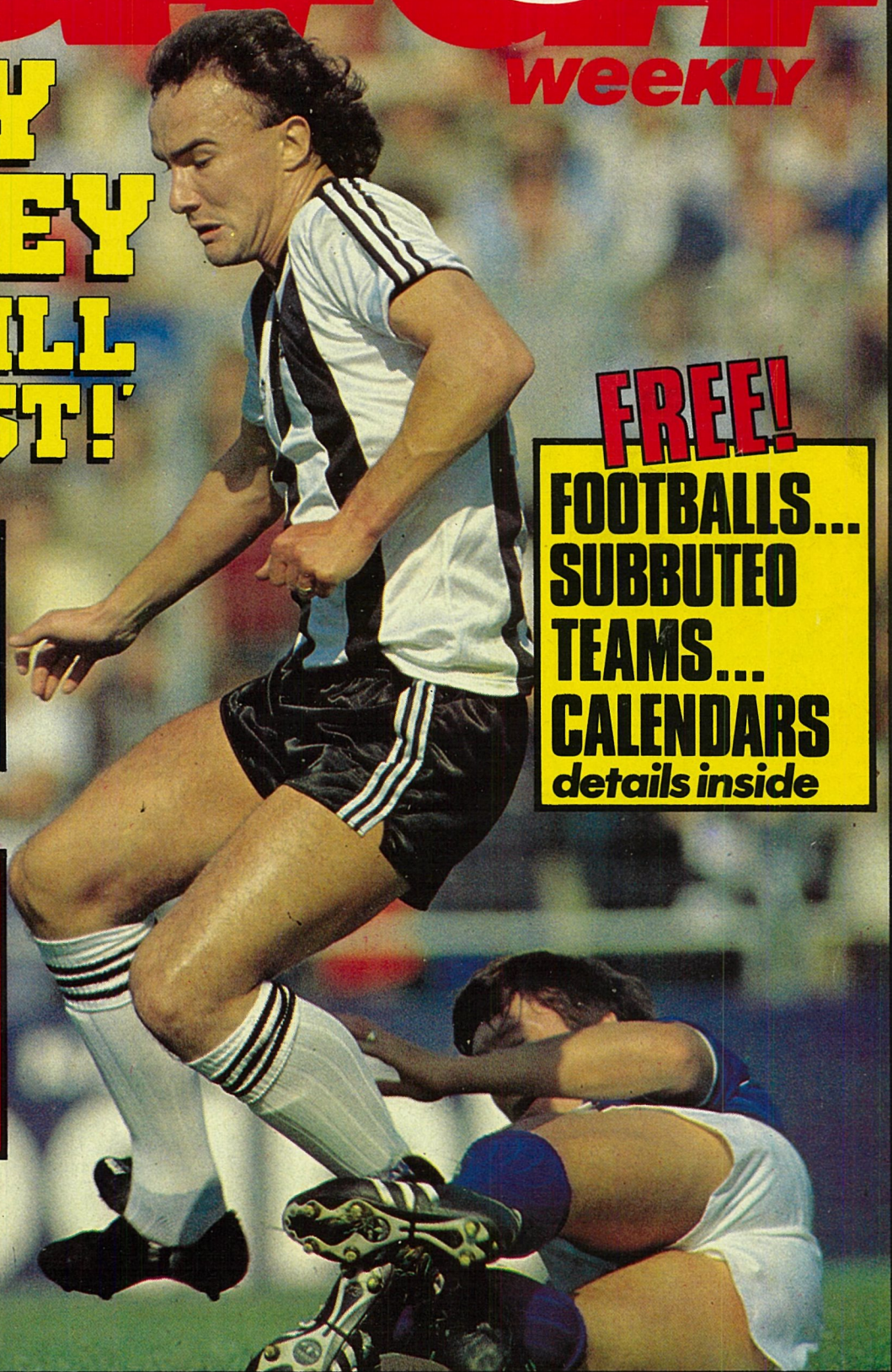
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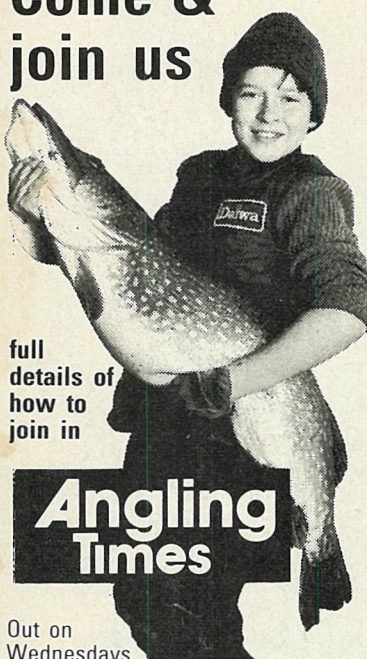
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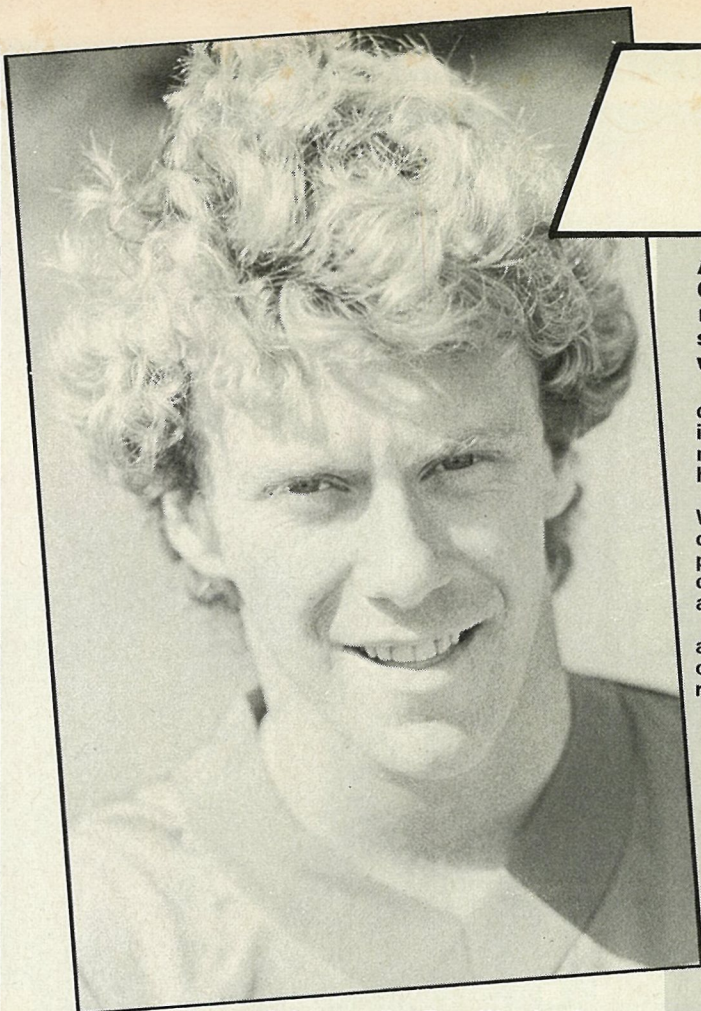
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defender.



Former Cologne striker Tony Woodcock
linked up with Lee in the Arsenal attack this
season.

**'Match' brings you the
inside story on the
dream move that
turned sour for the**

**AXED £500,000 striker Lee
Chapman is determined to prove he's
no Arsenal 'superflop' — so ending
speculation that he could be on his
way from Highbury.**

The young England international was
dumped in the reserves after scoring just once
in eight League games and immediately his
name was linked with other clubs — including
his former club Stoke.

But in an exclusive interview with 'Match
Weekly' the big blond centre-forward
declared: "It's always been my ambition to
play for a big club and Arsenal are the biggest
club in Britain. I'm not going to give it all up
after a handful of games.

"I want to make a success of my career here
and while it's always nice to hear that your
old clubs wants you back, I don't want to
return to Stoke.

"I'm ambitious to win things and Arsenal

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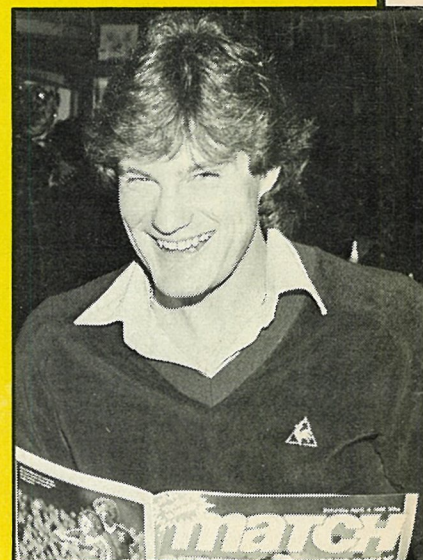
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striker once hailed as one of the country's brightest young prospects . . .

stand a better chance of success."

England Under-21 international Lee, Stoke's leading scorer in the past two seasons, was bought in the close season by Arsenal manager Terry Neill to link up with his other big signing, England international Tony Woodcock.

However, it's the former Cologne and Nottingham Forest star's partnership with Alan Sunderland that has set Highbury buzzing... with Lee on the sidelines.

But says the former Potteries favourite: "Even though things haven't worked out the way I would have liked, I have no regrets about making the move to Arsenal.

"I was naive when I first came to Highbury. I knew it wouldn't be easy, but I just didn't foresee the problems I'd face settling into a new team. It came as a shock.

"My problem has been getting used to the Arsenal style of play. I learnt my football at Stoke under Alan Durban and he had different

NO SUPERFLOP!

SAYS LEE CHAPMAN

ideas to the staff here.

"The team and I aren't really tuned in to each other. They've never played with a big man up front before so they aren't looking for me.

"The Arsenal way is to play the ball through midfield into the penalty area. I'm used to players whipping in crosses for me.

"Because I wasn't getting much of the ball I was out of the game for long periods. I was getting cold and losing touch. I didn't feel on top of my form at all.

"The Arsenal coaching staff told me not to worry and said that it would come right in the end. Unfortunately, I've now got to get it right in the reserves.

"It's a matter of knuckling down and learning the ways of the club."

Arsenal fans were expecting big things from their side this season and they've been frustrated by the club's mediocre early performances in the First Division and their quick exit from Europe.

"It didn't help that we didn't enjoy a very good start to the season. For the first four games of the campaign the team didn't play well," says Lee.

"But everyone has been getting stick. I don't feel as though the crowd have been putting extra pressure on me in particular.

"I know that if we start doing well they'll be

chanting our names again."

Lee was dropped for Arsenal's Milk Cup clash with Third Division Cardiff and also missed the League victories over Ipswich and high-flying West Brom.

"It was a big shock to be dropped. The goals were starting to come — I'd scored three in five games — and I was looking forward to my next match.

"But coach Don Howe said he felt that the team weren't getting the best out of me and that it might do me good to look at things

from the sidelines."

Now he faces a battle to regain his place in an Arsenal side that is beginning to pick up points after a poor start to the season and prove that he's no super flop.

"This is when my character is really tested," admits Lee: "I've got to battle for my place back.

"I haven't lost confidence in my own ability. I know I can score goals but at the moment I'm not getting the chance to prove it in the first team."

Beat that!

Former Sheffield Wednesday goalkeeper Peter Springett (right) is back on his favourite Hillsborough beat.

Only this time, instead of stopping goals, he'll be stopping trouble on the terraces. Peter has joined the South Yorkshire Police Force and one of his new duties is crowd control at Wednesday's ground.

● Tommy Cavanagh, Newcastle's assistant manager, is taking over Norwegian First Division club Trondheim.

Tommy, former assistant manager at Manchester United, was coach to Northern Ireland's World Cup team.



Injury blow hits Mike

YOUNG Wolves full-back Mike Hollifield could be out for almost the rest of the season following a back operation.

Mike, who made five First Division appearances last season, has the same kind of problem that has kept goalkeeper Paul Bradshaw on the sidelines.

● YOUNG Kevin Summerfield couldn't have chosen a better time to score his first senior goal for Birmingham.

Coming on as a substitute late on in the home clash with Watford, he struck in the very last minute to earn Birmingham a 1-1 draw.

But, despite the last-gasp goal, Ron Saunders' side returned to the bottom of the First Division following Southampton's second win of the season.

'You'll miss out again' — Miller tells Rangers . . .

SINCE Queen's Park Rangers installed their controversial Omniturf last season, various managers have complained that it has given the FA Cup finalists an unfair advantage in Division Two.

But, despite that, they still missed out on promotion last season — and Burnley manager Brian Miller believes it could be a similar story of disappointment this time.

Although his Second Division new boys were beaten 3-2 on their recent visit to Loftus Road, he believes Rangers' skill is lost on the artificial surface.

"If they played all their games on grass, they'd be almost certs to go up," he says.

"But, having to play half their matches on that surface, I believe it could cost them promotion.

"I get the impression that the Rangers players are more wary about playing on it than visiting teams, because they know the pitfalls.

"The ball does some funny things, coming off the surface at odd heights and angles.

"Consequently some of the skill is taken out of the game — and that's certainly no good for a side as talented as Rangers."

● COLIN Walsh, the Nottingham Forest midfield player, made a dream debut for Scotland Under-21's in their opening UEFA Championship match.

Colin, one of only two Anglo-Scots in the side, struck after just 13 minutes at Tynecastle Park to set Scotland on the way to a 2-0 victory over East Germany.

The other goal came from Aberdeen's Neil Simpson.

Time's up for Ossie and Co.

FORMER Tottenham star Osvaldo Ardiles believes his international career with Argentina could be over following their poor defence of the World Cup in Spain.

"Logically this is the end of the road for me and practically all the names of 1978," says Ossie, currently playing out a one year contract with French Cup holders Paris St Germain.

"The manager needs to start working with completely new players, with the sole aim of winning the World Cup again in 1986.

"Players who will have the kind of passion to win that we possessed in 1978, and which has gradually eroded since then."

Right: Ossie Ardiles in action during his Tottenham days — his international career may be over.



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TOKYO TREASURE AWAITS VILLA

ASTON Villa are to take part in the World Club Championship in Tokyo in December — despite the obvious strain of a gruelling five-day trip at a crucial stage in our own League season.

And the club have now decided a Super Cup showdown with European Cup Winners' Cup holders Barcelona, fully aware of the violence that game could trigger.

Villa have been guaranteed £90,000 by sponsors Toyota for taking on in Tokyo the winners of the yet-to-be-decided South American championship. In addition, the Japanese car giants will meet all travel and accommodation costs for the party of 26!

The pickings from the Super Cup would also be rich indeed and manager Tony Barton has talked of the offers that football clubs cannot refuse.

"The Tokyo trip comes at a busy time, particularly if we are still involved in a number of competitions," he admitted.

"But under the present financial climate in football, I feel we cannot afford to turn down competitions like this.

"The game needs the type of sponsorship that Toyota are offering.

"My directors are worried about the possible violence in a meeting with Barcelona after what happened when Spurs played them last season. But I told them we simply can't afford not to play.

"With Maradona in their line-up, we would be guaranteed a 40,000 gate at Villa Park."

Villa face an 18-hour flight to Japan, stopping off only for an hour at Anchorage in Alaska to stretch

their legs!

But Tony Barton is confident he can return with the Cup his club regard as "the most prestigious of club trophies."

"We have learned from Liverpool and Forest who lost this match in the past two years," he stressed. "They went out cold, not knowing what to expect. They didn't have enough time and were exhausted.

"We plan to give ourselves enough time. The game against Arsenal at Highbury on Saturday, December 11 has been re-arranged for the previous Tuesday night so that we can stay in London that night and fly out the next morning.

"We arrive in Tokyo on Thursday and will have Friday and Saturday to acclimatise and rest before the match on Sunday. We fly back on the Monday and have all week to rest before our next game the following Saturday.

"We had to guarantee Arsenal that we make up any loss of revenue should the attendance fall below that of a normal Saturday, but Toyota's massive backing makes it worthwhile.

"No-one at the club has been to Japan before and it will be a great experience. The competition is unknown territory for us and it will be an education to compete against players of such quality. I know my players are looking forward to it tremendously."

Villa face one of six clubs currently disputing the final stages of the South American championship. They are Flamengo (Brazil), River Plate (Argentina), Penarol (Uruguay), Olimpia (Paraguay), Tolima (Columbia) and Cobreloa (Chile).

Nightmare for skipper Ray

ENGLAND goalkeeper Ray Clemence is not likely to forget the night he captained Tottenham for the first time.

With Steve Perryman and Glenn Hoddle injured, Ray had the honour for the Milk Cup clash with Brighton at White Hart Lane.

But he had a nightmare moment when he palmed a cross into his own net to give Brighton the lead and it was only a disputed Garry Brooke penalty that spared his blushes.

To complete a week of misery, Ray was injured for the next game against Coventry, and Argentinian star Ricky Villa took over as captain.

● FOURTH Division Hartlepool had the dubious distinction at Torquay of having three men sent off, two of them for arguing with each other.

Roy Hogan, Kevin Johnson and Alan Smith all received their marching orders during the last 25 minutes as Torquay came from behind to win 3-2.

Peyton's place is at Fulham

● REPUBLIC of Ireland goalkeeper Gerry Peyton has finally agreed new terms with Second Division Fulham.

He has signed a four-year contract which is good news for the club who are pushing hard for promotion to the First Division.

MATCH CHAT

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'I'm no one season wonder' — Ian Rush

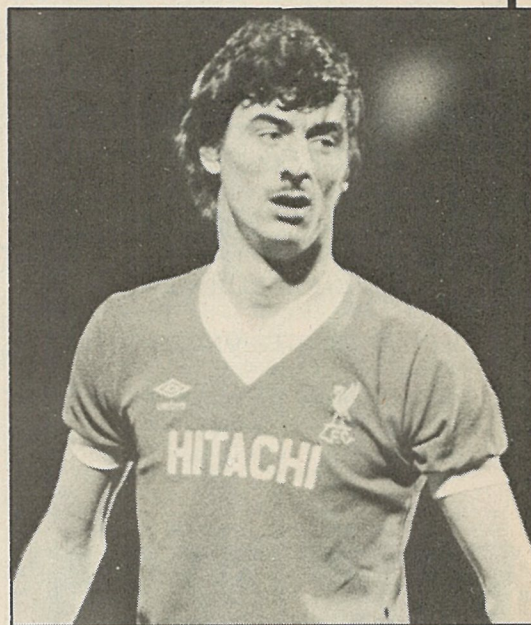
LIVERPOOL's ace striker Ian Rush is in no doubt that this season is going to be the toughest of his career.

The Welsh star, scorer of 28 League and Cup goals last season, knows that people expect great things of him again.

"So much is expected of me because of what I achieved last season," says the former Chester striker.

"Even twenty goals won't be enough for some people. I scored nearly thirty last term, so anything less than that, and there will be those who are ready to label me as a flash in the pan.

"I haven't really set myself a target, but so long as I keep my place in the Liverpool side, I'll know that I'm scoring enough."



Liverpool's Ian Rush — "There will be those ready to label me a flash in the pan."

Looking Sharp!

EVERYTHING seems to be going the way of Everton striker Graeme Sharp these days.

Already named as Everton Supporters Club player of the year for last season, the young Scot has since made it a hat trick of awards for his efforts last season.

He picked up the magnificent Dixie Dean Trophy after being voted player of the year by the Blue's London based supporters and also received the Sheffield University Everton Supporters Club's player of the year trophy.

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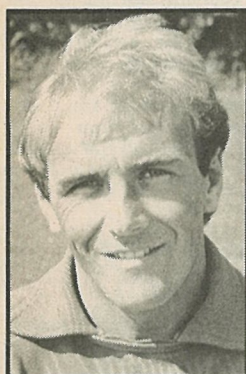
WORLD Subbuteo champion Joseph Bonfante from Gibraltar is currently on a tour of Great Britain.

The master of table soccer, who won his title just before the proper World Cup Finals in Spain, is playing a series of exhibition and challenge matches throughout the UK.

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On Thursday (Oct 28) Joseph will be at The Co-Op, Newcastle-Upon-Tyne (2pm to 3pm) and The Five Bridges Hotel, Gateshead (7.30pm to 8pm). On Friday he will be at the Royal Scot Hotel, Edinburgh, all day and he finishes off his tour on Saturday with dates at The Jolly Giant, Glasgow (11am to 12 noon), John Menzies, Argyle Street, Glasgow (2pm to 3pm) and The Bella Houston Hotel, Glasgow (6pm onwards).

ON JIM HAS TO PROVE HIS WORTH TRIAL



Arsenal's George Wood — Jim Leighton regards him as a real threat to his Scotland goalkeeping jersey.

JIM Leighton — the man who unseated Alan Rough as Scotland's number one — insists: "I haven't proved anything yet."

The Aberdeen star is tipped to become his country's regular first choice goalkeeper after making his debut against East Germany at Hampden Park earlier this month.

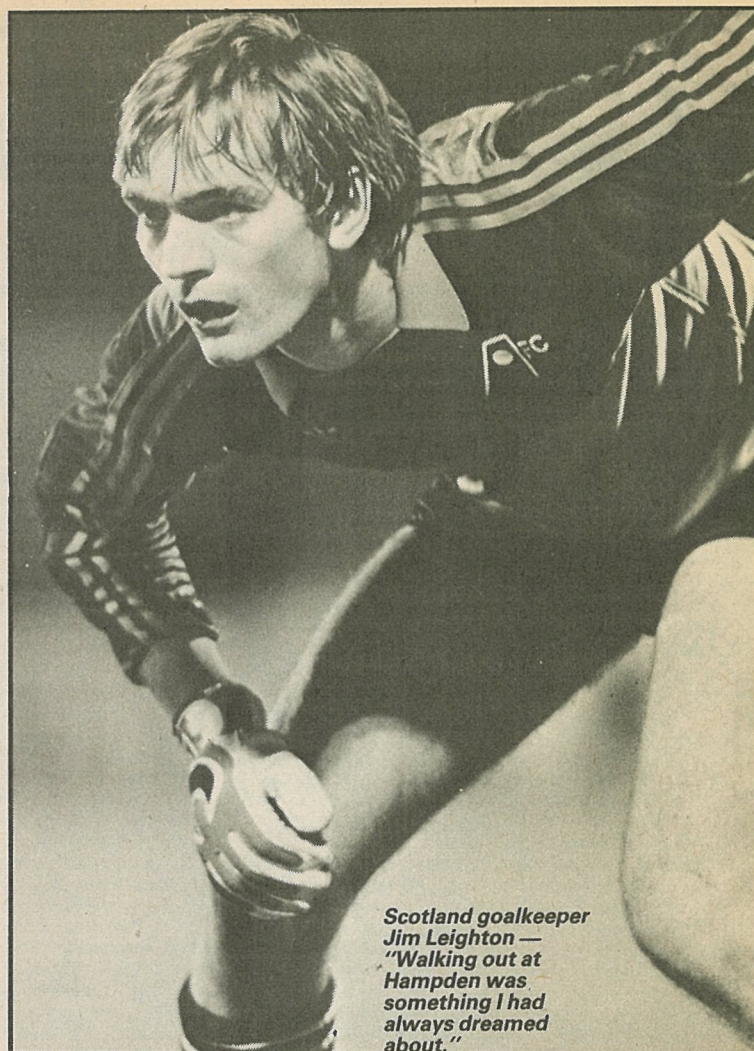
But Jim says: "I've only played one game so far and I've still got a long way to go before I can consider myself a regular in the side."

"I face a lot of tough opposition because there are some very good Scottish goalkeepers around. Once you get to the top, you're constantly going to get people trying to knock you off."

"Arsenal's George Wood is still a threat and he must have been bitterly disappointed to be left out of the last squad."

"Jim Stewart of Rangers was in the party with me for the East German game and he looked a very good goalkeeper, too."

But Jim doesn't believe that Alan Rough, the



Scotland goalkeeper Jim Leighton — "Walking out at Hampden was something I had always dreamed about."

Scotland regular for the last six years, poses much of an international threat while he stays in the First Division with Partick Thistle.

"The standard isn't very high and I think he'll have to move back to the Premier to stand a realistic chance."

"I've got nothing but praise for Alan. With all due respect to his club, they aren't the greatest of sides and that means he's always in the action."

Difficult

"It must be very difficult to adapt to not being involved a lot — as is the case in international football."

"He's taken a lot of stick in the past and yet four different Scotland managers have picked him as their regular."

The 24-year-old Aberdeen 'keeper got his big international chance as manager Jock Stein axed such star names as Rough, Kenny Dalglish and Asa Hartford to bring in younger players like Jim Bett of Rangers and Celtic's Roy Aitken.

"As soon as the Scotland squad was announced, everyone kept telling me that I'd pick up my first cap, but I didn't take any notice. I didn't actually believe it until I saw my name on the teamsheet."

"It was a tremendous experience for me to walk out at Hampden Park — something I'd always dreamed about."

"I didn't have a lot to do in the game because Scotland did most of the attacking. I only had one direct shot to save and two crosses to cut out."

"But those quiet games are often the most difficult to play in because you've got to be on your toes all the time."

Jim played behind his Aberdeen team-mate Willie Miller and he admits that the central defender's experience was a help.

"I've played in the same club side as Willie for a few years now and it was good to have someone I knew in front of me."

Scotland turned in an impressive performance to beat East Germany 2-0 and get their European Championship campaign off to a flying start.

Says Jim: "We're in a very difficult group along with Belgium and Switzerland so it was very important to get off to a good start."

"To qualify for the Finals in France, we're got to look to win our home games and pick up a point from each of our away games."

Jim believes that the Scotland players returned home from the World Cup Finals in Spain full of confidence — even though they failed to reach the second phase.

"The team played well as a unit but we were let down by individual errors."

Jim was among Scotland's 22 in Spain although he never got a game in the Finals. But he says: "I never expected to play. Jock Stein told me before we flew out that I was going there to get experience."

"Being in Spain for three weeks gave me a chance to get to know other members of the squad and build up an understanding with them. That experience certainly helped on my debut."

As well as becoming Scotland's regular goalkeeper, Jim also dreams of playing in an Aberdeen side which wins the Premier Division title.

And after a shaky start to the season, 'The Dons' are once again challenging strongly to break Celtic's stranglehold on the trophy.

"I'd dearly love to win a Championship medal. I didn't play in the last Aberdeen side to win it two years ago."

"Everyone expects Celtic to be the team to beat, but I also fancy Dundee United this season. They've got a really strong squad together and are off to a good start."

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Dropped by club and country, Villa's Tony Morley insists:

I'M THE BEST WINGER IN ENGLAND!

ASTON Villa's Tony Morley, axed by club and country within the space of a few days, insists: "I'm still the best winger England has to offer."

After being dropped by his club, Tony was left out of England's prestige friendly with West Germany.

But he bounced back from the double bombshell in fighting mood — returning to the Villa side for the home game against Watford and scoring two goals as his side won 3-0.

"I know I can do a good job for England," he

claims.

"All I want is an extended run in the team in my best position to show everyone what I can do.

"I've played five times for England but I've never been given a real chance to shine in my best role as an out-and-out left winger.

"In Denmark last month, I was played on the right-hand side in the role usually occupied by Steve Coppell, but I know my best position is on the left.

"Given a run in my club role, then I know I'm the man for England manager Bobby Robson if his plans include a recognised wide man.

"But it's up to me now to prove that by getting back to my best form that has so far deserted me this season."

Although disappointed at his exclusion from the England team — he didn't even make the subs bench — he expected the axe after a nightmare spell with Villa.

After failing to score in nine League and Cup games for the European Champions, he was relegated to the subs bench for the First Division trip to Notts County.

And he's honest enough to admit that he deserved to be dropped after one of the worst periods in his career.

"I'm not like some players who just make excuses when they are not playing well," he says.

"I'm one of those who throws up his arms and admits it.

"Manager Tony Barton even noticed in training that I was lacking in confidence and the edge had gone off my game.

"He felt that leaving me out of the team might be the answer and he may be right.

"I don't know what the problem is. I've been working hard enough, particularly on the defensive side of my game, but near goal everything has gone wrong.

"I've been getting into scoring positions but the ball has been rebounding from the woodwork, the goalkeepers or defenders on the line.

"It's all got very frustrating. I'm an instinctive player but, because of my problems, I've been thinking more about situations on the field and that has made matters worse.

"I've tried to put my finger on the problem, but without any real success.

"It could be that my couple of goals against Watford will put the matter right. I hope so."

With his traumatic spell has come criticism from the Villa fans, but he has gradually learned to live with that kind of treatment.

"Myself and Gary Shaw get more stick than any of the other Villa players because of the way we play," he says.

"We both like to produce the unexpected so when things work out for us we're heroes, but when they go wrong, well, it's another matter.

"Even the greatest of players have spells when nothing will go right. People just can't accept that even the best of footballers can't produce the goods week in, week out.

"In the case of myself and Gary, when we are good we are very good, but when we are bad, we're bad. We never seem to fall between the two.

"But I would rather be the kind of player I am, who likes to produce something exciting and unexpected.

"I would hate to be a run-of-the-mill player who produces thirty or forty games a season without hardly being noticed.

"I accept those players are an important breed but I want to excite people. That's my game."

Left: Tony Morley — "I know I'm the man for England manager Bobby Robson if his plans include a recognised wide man."



RUDE AWAKENING

AS goalkeeper Iain Hesford trudged disconsolately off the battle-scarred Rochdale pitch, the last of the meagre 2,000 crowd were already heading for the exits.

For the Rochdale players, it was a time to celebrate their second win of the season. Disappointingly for Blackpool, their challenge had faltered once again.

And Iain Hesford felt the silent misery of defeat more than most...

Just four days before, he had realised the high point of his career so far as one of young England heroes joyfully returning home victorious from the UEFA Under-21 Championship Final against West Germany.

Suddenly he found himself back in the depths of the English Fourth Division — and beaten to boot.

So it's hardly surprising that the 22-year-old is keen to wave goodbye to the League's basement and all the empty terraces that go with it.

But he's not about to desert the club that gave him his start in League football five years ago.

"I've a year of my contract to run and while it's frustrating to play in the Fourth after the experience with the England Under-21 side, I've not thought of asking for a transfer.

"Winning that European Championship medal is without doubt the high point of my career and it's made me even more determined to reach the top, however.

IN ROCHDALE

"And naturally I'd like the opportunity to play at a higher level as soon as possible, but it wouldn't be very professional of me if I didn't have those sort of ambitions."

Looking back on his Under-21 success, Iain admits he was a little worried that he wouldn't make the all-important Final.

He says: "It did cross my mind that Leeds' John Lukic would get the vote because of his greater experience but, in the end, the boss stuck by me and obviously I was delighted."

Iain's contribution in Dave Sexton's victorious side has been less publicised than that of some of his more illustrious team-mates, such as Liverpool's Sammy Lee, West Ham's Paul Goddard and £1 million striker Justin Fashanu.

In fact, on ITV's World of Sport programme, commentator Jim Rosenthal even referred to Iain as 'Gary Bailey' in one piece of goalmouth action!

But such oversights do not worry Iain unduly. His confidence remains high.

"I've been fairly satisfied with my game — particularly with one or two

saves I made at crucial stages during the two-leg Final with West Germany."

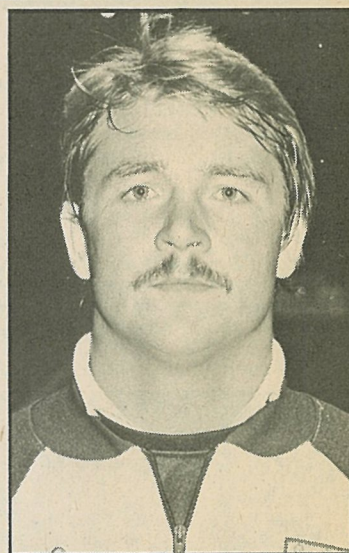
Iain was eleven-years-old before he began playing soccer. "I was born in Kenya where my father Bob (a former Huddersfield goalkeeper) was a teacher and they don't play much football out there!

"However, when I came to England I discovered I had a natural ability and soon reached District Schools standard although I never made the County side."

Success followed quickly after signing schoolboy forms with Blackpool and he found himself in League action at 17 — making such an impression that Scottish international goalkeeper George Wood (now with Arsenal) was allowed to leave the club.

And although Blackpool's fortunes have since declined, Iain has remained loyal through the difficult times — optimistic that better times may be just around the corner.

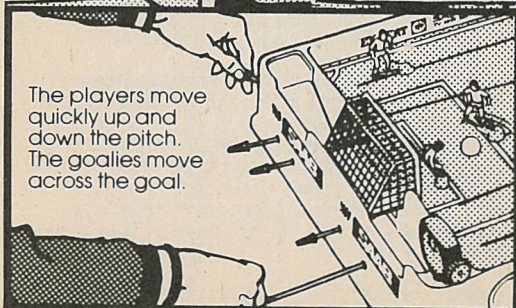
"Blackpool have every chance of improving themselves. Manager Sam Ellis has a lot of experience in football and we are working on the right lines."



Iain Hesford — from European glory to defeat at Rochdale.

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IT remains a mystery to me why Arsenal striker Alan Sunderland has never played for England.

He has always been England class in my book, especially in those halcyon days with Frank Stapleton.

Now, having been out through injury during the early weeks of the season, he's back to his best in a new partnership with England's Tony Woodcock.

And the early signs indicate that he could enjoy the same success with Tony as he did with Big Frank when they formed one of the deadliest partnerships in the First Division.

They played together as a pair for the first time in our hard-earned 1-0 win at Ipswich, and then took West Brom apart at Highbury by scoring a goal each in the opening 23 minutes.

I have always maintained that Alan has deserved an England chance, and I find it difficult to believe that he's never had one.

He's a magic player. He's sharp, has good control, is aware of dangerous situations and is a brilliant finisher.

Southampton's David Armstrong has a chance to establish himself in the England squad at the age of 26, so there could still be hope for 29-year-old Alan.

Certainly Tony Woodcock is full of praise for the former Wolves player, who battled virtually alone up front last season and yet still became the butt of criticism from certain sections of the Arsenal crowd.

Tony, who is now adjusting to the English scene again after three years in Germany, rates his new striking partner alongside Cologne stars like Muller, Allofs and Fischer.

That's high praise indeed and we hope that they can continue their encouraging start which has enabled Arsenal to make strides up the First Division after a poor start.

There is no question that Alan is highly respected by First Division defenders, but he has never received the credit he deserves.

I hope that situation changes in this new spearhead with Tony Woodcock.

Tony found problems in coping again with two matches a week in the First Division after a less hectic lifestyle in Germany, but he's back to his best and is brimming over with confidence.

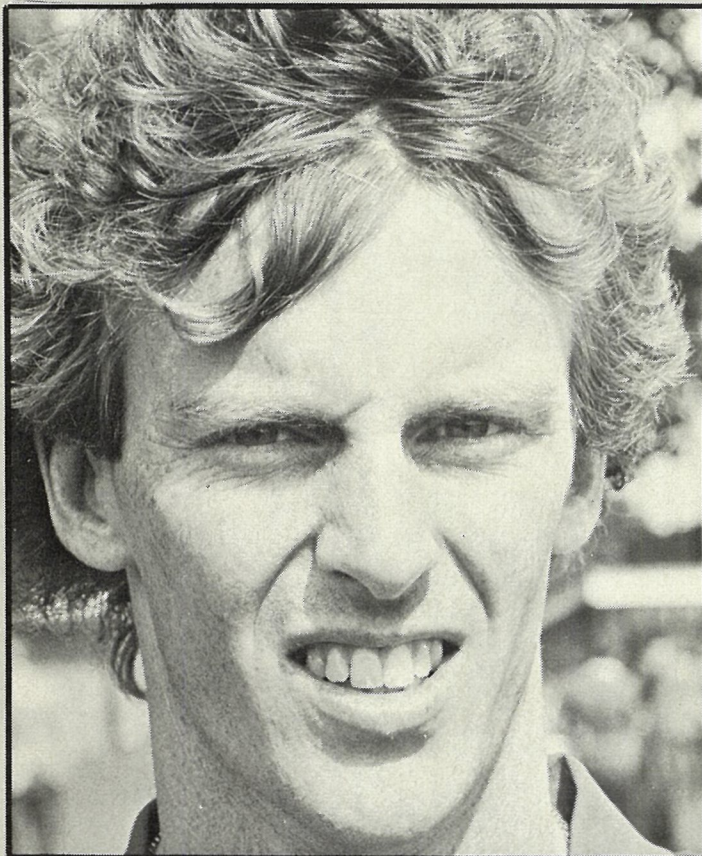
He got the crucial goal at Ipswich, banged in a beauty for England and then scored probably one of the goals of the season against West Brom.

Those successive wins over Ipswich and West Brom have given the Arsenal players a tremendous lift to the extent that manager Terry Neill is talking in terms of winning the title.

He has told us that if we want to talk about winning the Championship, then we should stand up and say it.

There is still a long way to go, and no doubt teams like

SUNDERLAND FOR ENGLAND!



THE GRAHAM RIX COLUMN

The Arsenal and England midfield star presses the international claims of his team-mate Alan Sunderland. Don't miss his regular column — it's only in 'Match'.

Manchester United, Liverpool and West Ham will have something to say about those comments from Highbury.

But I'm certain in my own mind that, because we are a good and well organised team, we will figure in the top six at the end of the season.

At the beginning of the season, I rated our title prospects very highly, but with things not going according to plan, we have made things more difficult for ourselves.

We certainly looked title contenders in the first half against West Brom and remember, they started the day in the top four.

They were obviously in that position on merit, and they battled hard to retrieve the situation in the second half.

Goalkeeper George Wood

made one tremendous save from Cyrille Regis and, had that gone in, it could have been a different story.

That win over West Brom followed our battling 1-0 win at Ipswich the previous Saturday.

It wasn't a game for the purists because you don't expect to go there and command the game.

But we got the goal that counted and everyone worked hard to make up for the previous week's 3-2 home defeat at the hands of West Ham.

Having mentioned George Wood's save against West Brom, we were surprised at his omission from the Scotland squad after being included in their World Cup Final party.

He was very consistent last season when he kept Pat

Jennings out of the side, and certainly looked set to take over from Alan Rough.

But Jock Stein picks the side and Aberdeen's Jim Leighton must be playing well to keep George out at the moment.

Looking ahead to our next matches, the home clash with Birmingham this weekend could pose us a few problems.

I know that Birmingham are near the foot of the table, but we always seem to struggle against the lowly teams.

I don't know whether it's our attitude or the fact that teams raise their game at Highbury, but we always seem better equipped to deal with the likes of Liverpool, Manchester United and Everton.

The following Saturday we visit Luton, who I believe are one of the most attractive teams in the division.

I enjoy watching them play. They try to play exciting football and it's a tragedy to think they only get crowds of around 11,000.

My only previous visit to Kenilworth Road was in a reserve game when I played alongside Alan Ball.

But I'll be looking for a good performance to boost my chances of reclaiming my place in the England team for the European Championship match in Greece next month.

I was on the subs bench for the match against West Germany and, for an hour, I thought the lads more than held their own.

But West Germany are a side capable of stepping up a gear and probably we should have dug in and tried to weather the storm when they took control.

No matter how good a side you are, there is no way you can control a match for the entire ninety minutes.

I didn't see Rummenigge's opening goal because I was warming up on the touchline, and then he scored the second before I had managed to touch the ball after coming on for David Armstrong.

It may be that England manager Bobby Robson might lean more on experience in Greece.

See you in two weeks.

Graham Rix

● Graham Rix was talking to Melvyn Beck.

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FULL NAME: Augustine Ashley Grimes.
BIRTHPLACE/DATE: Dublin, August 2, 1958.

HEIGHT/WEIGHT: 5ft 11in/11st 12lb.

MARRIED: No.

CAR: Mustang.

PREVIOUS CLUB: Bohemians of Dublin.

TRADE BEFORE TURNING PRO: A representative for Cussons perfume.

WORST EVERY INJURY: Being out for most of last season through illness.

FAVOURITE FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYER

AND WHY: Lou Macari — you never can tell what he's going to do next.

FAVOURITE OTHER TEAM: Celtic.

FAVOURITE FOREIGN PLAYER AND

WHY: Diego Maradona — he has everything.

BEST ALL-TIME BRITISH TEAM: Banks,

McGrain, McNeill, Moore, Cooper,

Charlton R, Crerand, Murdoch,

Johnstone, Best, Dougan.

ALL-TIME INTERNATIONAL XI: Banks

(England), Kaltz (W. Germany), Moore

(England), Beckenbauer (W. Germany),

Junior (Brazil), Cruyff (Holland),

Charlton R (England), Gerson (Brazil),

Best (N. Ireland), Maradona (Argentina),

Pele (Brazil).

FAVOURITE AWAY GROUND: Villa Park.

FAVOURITE FOREIGN STADIUM AT

WHICH YOU HAVE PLAYED: Maracana

Stadium in Rio de Janeiro.

BEST GOAL SCORED: Against Chelsea

in a testimonial game.

BEST GOAL SEEN SCORED: George

Best's goal for Manchester United in

the 1968 European Cup Final victory

over Benfica.

MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENT: None.

MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: My first

full League appearance in the 2-2 draw

at Aston Villa in 1979.

OWN MAGIC MOMENT IN FOOTBALL:

Playing alongside Gordon McQueen.

BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Eire's

failure to qualify for the World Cup

Finals.

FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS: Snooker,

tennis, croquet, bowls and cricket.

MISCELLANEOUS LIKES: Eating,

drinking fruit juices and relaxing.

MISCELLANEOUS DISLIKES: Smoking

drinking and bad language.

FAVOURITE TV SHOW: Survival.

TV SHOW YOU ALWAYS SWITCH OFF:

Top of the Pops.

FAVOURITE READING: Agatha Christie.

FAVOURITE POP STAR: Gerry Rafferty

FAVOURITE FOOD: Steak and coleslaw.

BEST COUNTRY VISITED: Bermuda.

FAVOURITE ACTOR/ACTRESS: Peter

O'Toole and Maureen Potter.

BEST FILM SEEN IN PAST YEAR: Life of

Brian.

BEST FRIEND: Des O'Connor.

BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER:

Jimmy Lalor, manager of my youth team

in Ireland.

WHAT DON'T YOU LIKE ABOUT

FOOTBALL: Too many people telling you

what to do.

PRE-MATCH MEAL: Peaches and

cornflakes.

INTERNATIONAL HONOURS:

Schoolboy, under 21 and full caps for

Eire.

PERSONAL AMBITION: To have a

healthy family.

PROFESSIONAL AMBITION: To win

League and cup medals.

CAREER AFTER PLAYING: I'm going to

be an actor.

PLAYER FOR THE FUTURE: Manchester

United's Kenny Scott.

WHO WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO

MEET: The Pope.

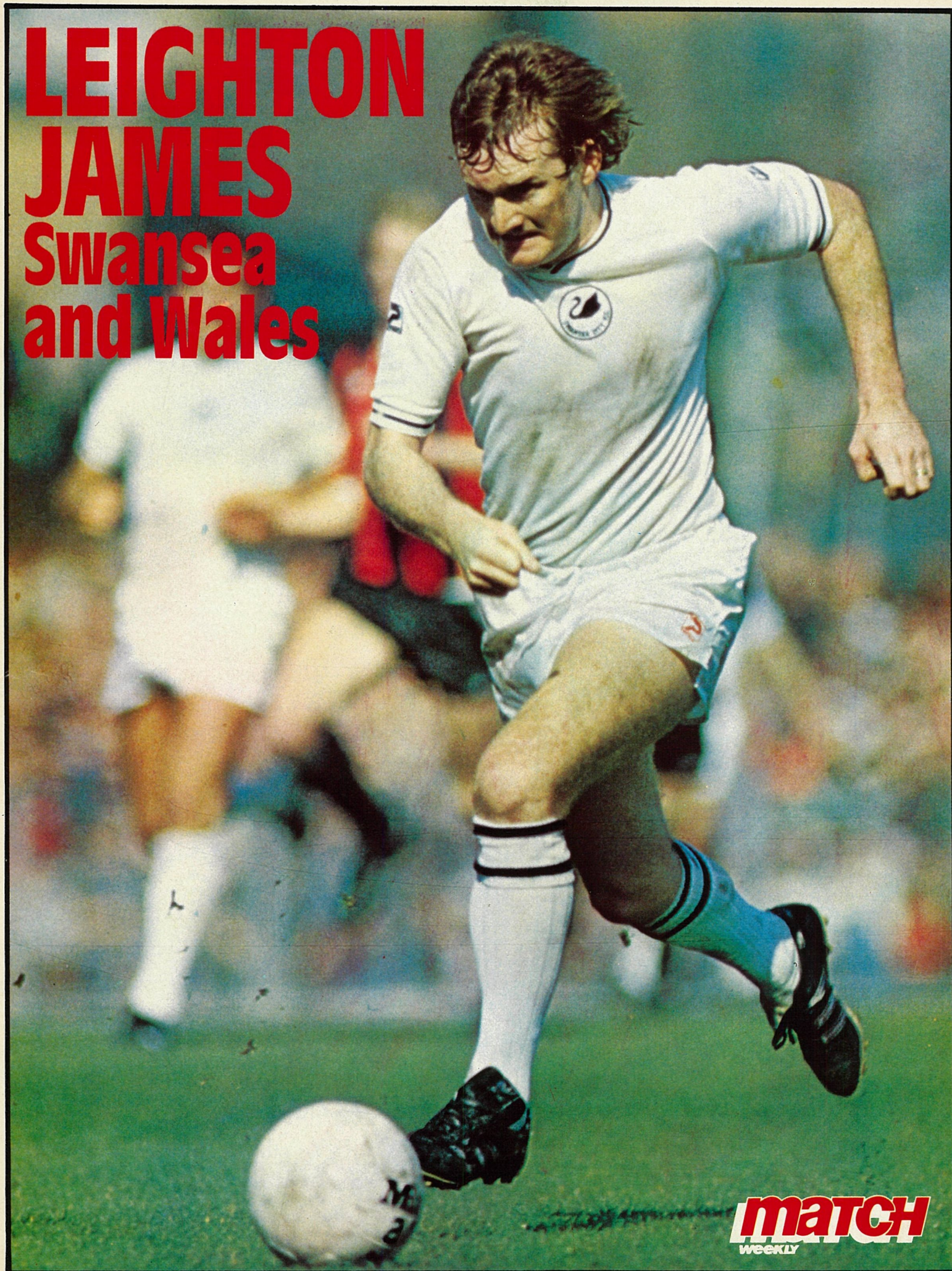
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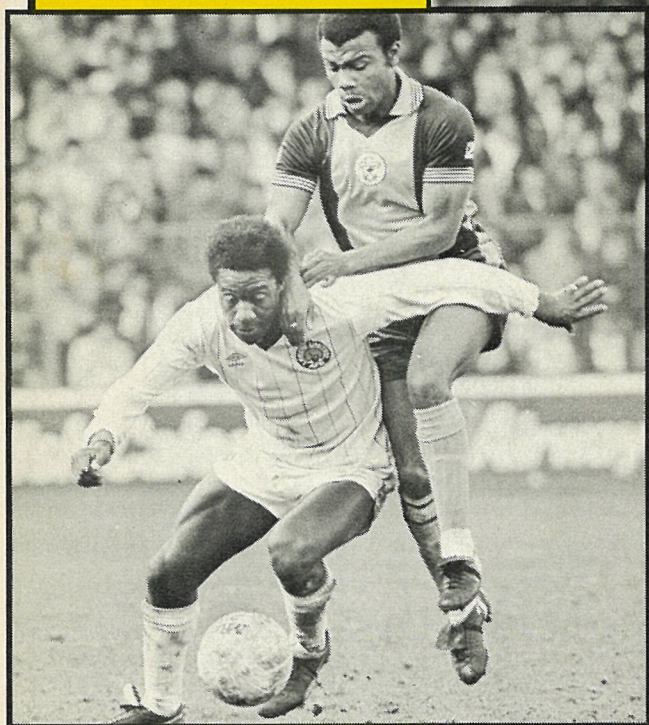
Ashley Grimes

LEIGHTON JAMES

Swansea
and Wales



KICKERS IN A TWIST!



Above: "It's here somewhere, I know it is". That's what Liverpool's Phil Thompson must be thinking as he tangles with England team-mate Tony Woodcock at Highbury.

Above left: Trying to hitch a lift on the back of Leeds striker Terry Connor is Southampton's David Wallace, but on this occasion he received the cold shoulder.

Left: Putting their backs into it are Watford defender Wilf Rostron (left) and Sunderland striker Gary Rowell.

REPORTER Anthony Hawkswell meets the Eire international at a crossroads in his career.

WORRIED WALSH

EIRE defender Mike Walsh ends a loan spell at Norwich this week still unsure where his future lies.

The blond centre-half is on the transfer list after being unable to establish himself in the Everton side, following his big money move from Bolton at the beginning of last season.

And he admits: "I don't know where I stand. If I felt I had a future at Everton I'd love to stay with the club, but it's going to be very difficult for me to get into the side."

Mike played two First Division games this season before Howard Kendall called him in and told him he faced the axe.

"He said he wanted to play in a settled side and take the pressure off the lads in the team. I faced the prospect of playing in the reserves again or coming to Norwich for a month.

"It's been frustrating not being able to get into the Everton side because I feel I've played some of my best football since joining the club.

'I DON'T KNOW WHERE I STAND'

"I've often wondered what chance I'd stand if I was going through a lean spell. But I can't complain — it's the manager who picks the team and he chooses the players he thinks are best.

"When I joined Everton I never expected to go straight into the side. I knew I faced a tough time," says Mike.

Along with Mike in the Goodison Park reserves over the last season have been fellow big money buys Mike Ferguson, Trevor Ross, Alan Ainscow and Jim Arnold.

"There are so many good players in the reserve team that we could hold our own in the First Division. No-one likes playing in the reserves but it's helped soften the blow playing alongside stars of their calibre.

"I certainly don't regret moving to Everton. I regard it as the biggest break of my career. It gave me the chance to play for my country. I would never have got that opportunity if I had stayed at Burnden Park.

"It's always been a dear

ambition of mine to play for Eire. Even though I was born in Manchester I declared myself for Eire when I was 18 and no-one had heard of me.

"My grandparents were born in Eire and we are an Irish family. The only reason we moved to England was to find work."

Mike has picked up four international caps since being included in Eire's summer tour of South America. His latest appearance was in the European Championship qualifier against Iceland earlier this month.

"That was a very special game for me because it was my first appearance for my country in Dublin. I felt very proud."

The only sour note came when Mike was involved in an incident in which an Icelandic player was stretchered off and he says: "It upset me greatly because many people believed I should have been sent off.

"I caught him in the groin as I was going for a fifty-fifty ball. It may have looked an ugly challenge, but my only thoughts were to get the ball."

Eire won the match 2-0, but still face a tough battle to qualify for the Finals in France with Holland and Spain in the same group.

"I believe Eire have more world class players than England. We've got such stars as Liam Brady, Mark Lawrenson, Ronnie Whelan, Frank Stapleton and David O'Leary.

"It's just a question of knitting them together and getting us to play as a team."

Mike spent a month on loan at Carrow Road and made his debut in 'The Canaries' 4-1 defeat at Sunderland.

"Following that defeat the team have put some good results together — including draws against highly placed Watford and Spurs.

"I felt very guilty about the Spurs game because I could have won it for Norwich. I missed an easy header from four yards out. I know I should have scored."

Mike was called to Carrow Road in place of regular defender Dave Watson, who fractured a cheek bone earlier this season.

But where does he go from here? "My future is now out of my hands. Howard Kendall isn't pushing players out at Everton but he's willing to listen to offers for them.

"No disrespect to other clubs in the League, but any move away from Goodison would be a step down for me."



Mike Walsh — he returns to Everton after a spell at Norwich still uncertain of his future.

Inset: Alan Ainscow — another of Howard Kendall's big money buys who has found it difficult to establish himself in the Everton side.

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● DAVID HARVEY

'THE GOOD OLD DAYS'

will return to Elland Road says David Harvey

FORMER Scottish international goalkeeper David Harvey is back at Leeds predicting a revival of the 'glory years' at Elland Road.

Having experienced the atmosphere when Leeds swept all before them under manager Don Revie, David senses success once more.

He says: "When I first joined Leeds United, Don Revie was building an empire. I get the same feeling now with Eddie Gray and Jimmy Lumsden that we are on the verge of regaining those years of glory."

The former Elland Road first choice 'keeper returned to the club in September following three years with North American Soccer League side Vancouver Whitecaps, where he played under former team-mate Johnny Giles.

And he has given himself until next July to prove himself on his old stamping ground.

"My contract takes me through until July and in that time I will find out whether I can fight my way back into the team."

"If I can, all well and good, but if I can't I will obviously take stock of the situation. It may be that I will go back to Scotland and try to find a player/manager's job."

To earn a regular place in the Second Division side, David must of course, displace young England goalkeeper John Lukic — regarded as one of the best prospects in the

country.

And the present form of his successor suggests he faces a tall order, although he believes there is one aspect of the young 'keeper's play which offers him a glimmer of hope.

"When I was at Elland Road before, I realised that John had an enormous amount of talent, but his consistency may not be all that it should be."

"He played tremendously well against Leicester City and Sheffield Wednesday, for instance, and was probably the biggest single reason United got the points."

"But he was slightly suspect with one of the goals against Derby County and made a slight error of judgement against Cambridge, so there might be an area where he could let me in."

Ironically, it was John who displaced David in the Leeds side.

David recalls: "It was a peculiar situation. Neither of us were really fit to play in one particular match and it was a toss-up who would get the game."

"John had an ankle injury and that made it almost impossible for him to turn out. My injury was a slightly pulled hamstring, which you can get away with if you are not kept too busy."

"So I played. But I completely tore the hamstring and was then out for six months. Had I not played in that game, I would have been okay."

That's all water under the bridge now, of course, and David eagerly looks forward to what the future may hold — freely admitting the large part played by Eddie Gray in his return to England.

"I was at the end of my contract with Whitecaps. Eddie rang and asked about my availability and it took off from there."

"I was at a stage in my career where I had done everything and it's possibly true to say there are only three people I would have come back to work under... Terry Cooper, Norman Hunter and, of course, Eddie."

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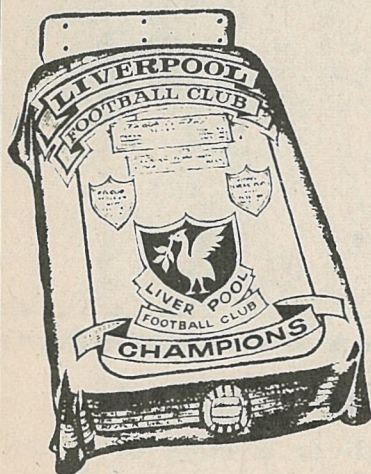
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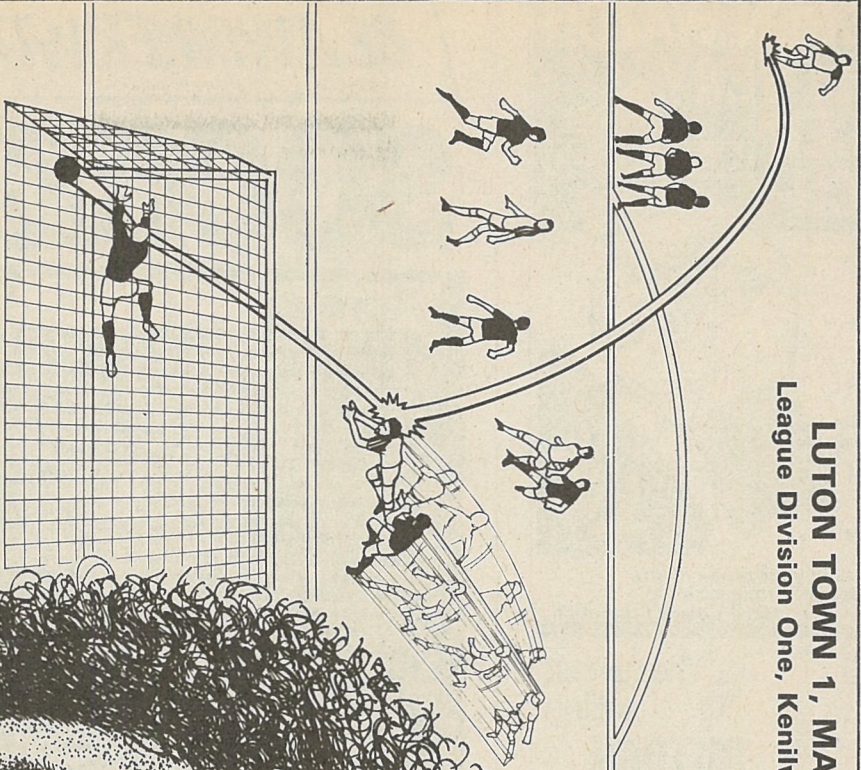
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GOLDEN GOAL!



MATCHES involving Luton Town had averaged five goals a game prior to this clash of the entertainers: But the one goal the 'Hatters' did score through man of the match Ricky Hill capped the lot.

The First Division newcomers had always looked dangerous going forward, but it was the visiting side who took the lead against the run of play through Ashley Grimes.

And the home fans had to wait until the 58th minute for something to cheer themselves. It followed a foul on striker Brian Stein by United's Kevin Moran. Skipper Brian Horton took the free kick, chipping over the defensive wall, and Ricky Hill stole in to send a diving header past 'keeper Gary Bailey as the United defence stood flat-footed.

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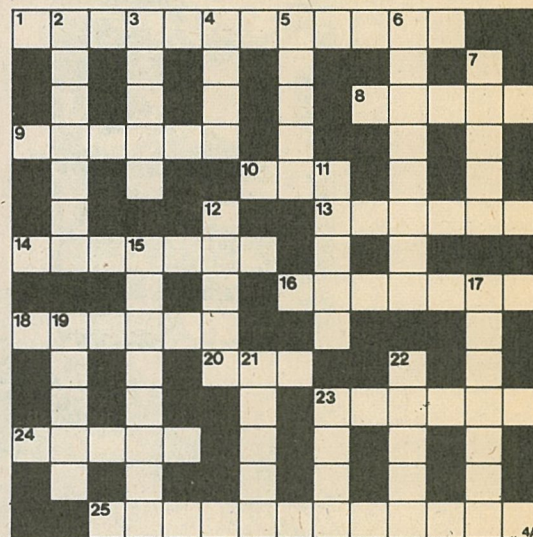
SOCCERWORD

Across

1. Club which signed Benjamin, Imlach and Linton in the close season (12)
8. One of the Powells with Derby last season, he has now gone to play in Hong Kong (5)
9. Cambridge forward who was a member of Northern Ireland's World Cup party (but never got a game) (6)
10. Sealey, for example (3)
13. Some wingers are described as this (but it's not a word you'd use for a goalkeeper, for instance) (6)
14. Forward who was with Millwall for several seasons before going to Rotherham in 1980 (7)
18. & 16. New manager at Molineux this season (6,7)
20. He holds Gillingham's aggregate scoring record with 135 goals netted between 1963 and 1975 (3)
23. — Kiev came up against Grasshoppers in this season's European Cup (6)
24. This defender has served several clubs but he was an ever-present for Crewe last season and passed his 100th appearance for them early on (5)
25. Clubs do this to players they don't intend to keep (8-4)

Down

2. 'Enquire' (anagram) — and you may be answered with Valencia midfielder Saura's first name (he featured for Spain in the World Cup finals) (7)
3. Wyndham — has had a long career with Swansea (5)
4. Club which fielded the top scorer in English soccer last season (4)
5. New man in charge at Oldham this season (5)
6. One way of restarting a game (4-4)
7. Gray, say (5)
11. Defender who has made over 150 appearances for Southend since signing from Spurs (5)
12. Nelson's first name (5)
15. West German midfielder reckoned to be 'the new Franz Beckenbauer' (though he missed the World Cup finals through injury) (8)
17. Beats a player by kicking the ball between his legs (7)
19. New man at the top at Torquay this season (5)
21. One-club man who made his 200th turn-out for Portsmouth in 1982 (5)
22. Miguel — was Spain's regular 'keeper before Arconada (having, presumably descended from Heaven!) (5)
23. Former England forward — Thomas has made several moves in recent years (with at least two in 1982!) (4)



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QUICK QUIZ

1. Name the player who scored four goals this season and finished on the losing side?
2. Who ended Liverpool's unbeaten record this season?
3. Kevin Keegan scored four goals against which Second Division team?
4. Who scored the first League hat-trick of the season?
5. From which club did Chelsea sign striker David Speedie?
6. Who scored three goals in Liverpool's 5-1 aggregate victory over Dundalk in the European Cup?
7. Manchester United signed Peter Beardsley from which North American club?
8. Which club ended Celtic's 100 per cent record in the Scottish Premier Division?
9. From which Scottish club did West Ham sign Sandy Clark?
10. Stoke have signed three Port Vale players this season, two are the Chamberlain brothers, who is the other one?

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CAN you match up the clubs on the left with the grounds on the right?

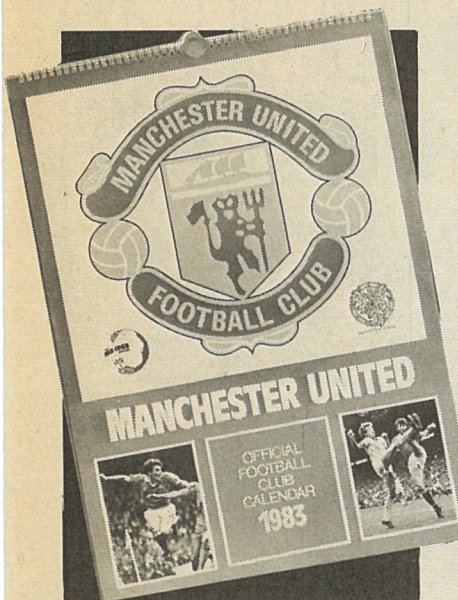
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| 2 Southend | b) Spotland |
| 3 Blackburn | c) Elm Park |
| 4 Bolton | d) Ewood Park |
| 5 Rochdale | e) Burnden Park |

SOLUTIONS

SOCCERWORD: Across: 1. Peterborough; 8. Barry; 9. Finney; 10. Les; 13. Tricky; 14. Seaman; 18. & 16. Graham; 20. Yeo; 23. Dynamo; 24. Scott; 25. Transfer-list.
Down: 2. Enrique; 3. Evans; 4. Bury (Madden, 42); 5. Royke; 6. goal-kick; 7. Frank; 11. Stead; 12. Sammy; 15. Schuster; 17. nutmegs; 19. Ritch; 21. Ellis; 22. Angel; 23. Dave.
QUICK QUIZ: 1. Reading's Kerry Dixon; 2. Ipswich; 3. Rotherham; 4. Preston's Steve Elliott; 5. Darlington; 6. Ronnie Whelan; 7. Vancouver; 8. Dundee United; 9. Airdrie; 10. Goalkeeper Mark Harrison.
MATCH OF THE WEEK: Carlisle United v Plymouth Argyle.
MATCH 'EM UP: 1/c; 2/a; 3/d; 4/e; 5/b.
SPOT THE LINK: They are West Ham's Phil Parkes (left) and Arsenal's John Hollins who both have played one full international for England.

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RIDDLE TIME

AN England youth international, my first League club was in Yorkshire and are currently managed by a former Liverpool favourite.

I joined a Lancashire team in 1976 and didn't miss a League match for four years.

I have returned to this club after a brief spell in the First Division and I won my first international cap against Wales in February 1981.

The identity of this week's mystery personality will be revealed in next week's issue.

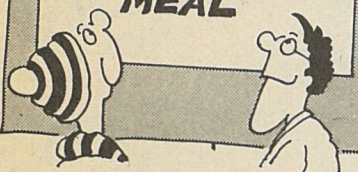
The answer to last week's Riddle Time was: Jim Melrose (Coventry).

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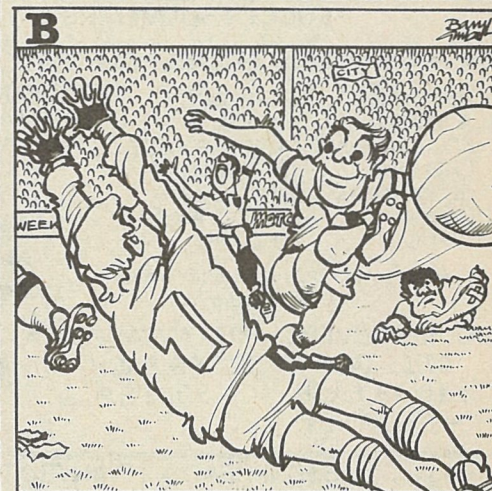
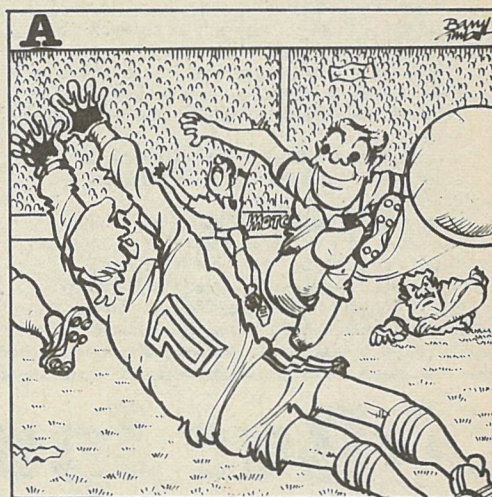
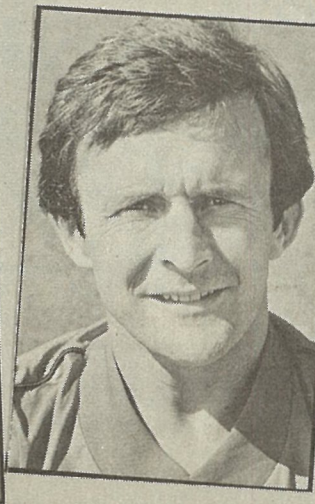
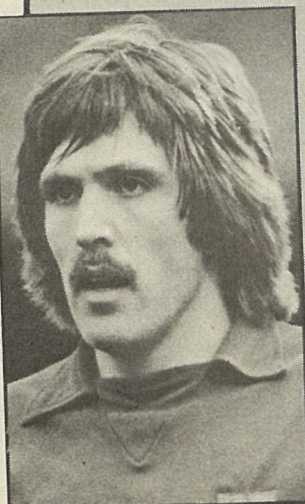
PLY YOGHURT MEAL



UNRAVEL the jumbled letters to identify which two League sides are playing each other.

SPOT THE LINK

Name these two First Division players, their clubs and what they have in common.



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CINDERELLA SIMPSON!

YOUNG Paul Simpson's staggering rise from boot boy to First Division stardom could have been a tailor-made script for a fictional comic hero.

One minute the 16-year-old starry-eyed kid from Carlisle was cleaning the boots of the Manchester City stars, just dreaming of the day he would run out at Maine Road in the first team.

The next minute in true fairy-tale fashion, City boss John Bond turned that dream into reality with the shock news: "You're in the side against Coventry tomorrow, son."

Young Paul was speechless. He just couldn't believe it.

There he was, a committed Manchester United fan as a schoolboy, exploding into the First Division in the sky blue of City with just one reserve outing under his belt.

Such was his meteoric rise from the apprentice ranks that his father didn't even know. He'd contacted the club later the same day to find out where the 'A' team were playing as he wanted to watch his son in action!

"When he discovered that I was in the first team against Coventry, I think he was more shocked than me," says Paul, who only joined the club in the summer.

"I only made my debut for the reserves a few days earlier, scoring twice in a 6-1 win over Oldham Reserves.

"But never in my wildest dreams could I have expected to get a First Division chance so soon. It's still difficult to believe that it has happened."

But happen it did, and Paul made an impressive debut in front of more than 25,000, laying on a goal for Graham Baker and almost scoring one himself in the

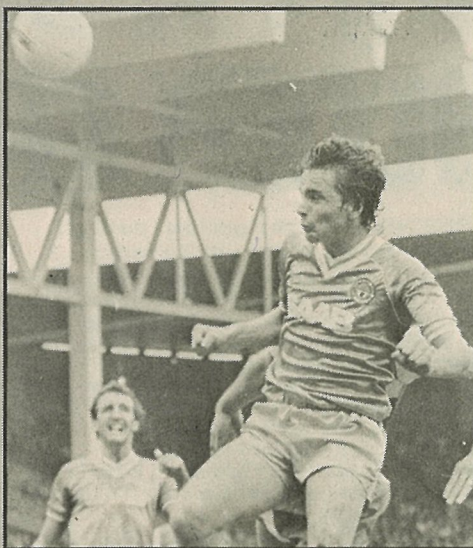
A BOOT BOY'S DREAM COMES TRUE

3-2 victory.

"I think I was too excited at the prospect of playing to feel nervous," he says.

"The boss told me to go out there, play my natural game and enjoy myself.

"The players were great to me, especially Paul



Power, Asa Hartford and David Cross. They were encouraging me all the time.

"I know I had a hand in the first goal and forced a good save from Les Sealey, but overall I think I had a fairly quiet match."

He was retained as substitute for the next two League matches, against Everton and Sunderland, and made fleeting appearances in both.

But Paul doesn't consider himself a member of the first team squad.

He was quickly brought down to earth after making the headlines against Coventry.

On the Monday, he was back in the boot room carrying out his daily chores as an apprentice.

"It felt a little strange cleaning boots and preparing training kit for the senior pros I played with on the Saturday, but I realise that I have got a lot to learn and this backroom work is all part of it," he says.

"All I hope now is that over the next two seasons I can convince Mr Bond that I am good enough to be signed as a full professional when my apprenticeship ends.

"There are nine apprentices at Maine Road and I am just the lucky one who has been given a dream chance in the first team."

The two faces of Paul Simpson... cleaning the boots for the first team stars and (left) in action alongside those same players on his first team debut — here heading the ball back for Graham Baker to score.



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LIVERPOOL suffered their worst ever defeat in 19 years of European football at the hands of JK Helsinki . . . but it certainly wasn't our worst performance.

We were very disappointed to lose the first leg of our European Cup Second Round tie in Finland to a team of amateurs we should beat ten times out of ten.

I know manager Bob Paisley might give me some stick for saying this, but I believe it was just one of those nights when the ball wouldn't run for us.

We completely dominated the game and had 100 per cent of the play. Their goal came from the Finns' only direct shot on target.

The boss was critical of our finishing on the night, but you couldn't fault us on our overall play.

Their English goalkeeper, Jeff Wood, had an inspired night against us. The former Charlton and Colchester player looked unbeatable between the posts.

I suppose you can put their goal down to me. I slipped with the ball and my mistake allowed their Turkish striker Atik Ismail to nip in and beat Bruce Grobbelaar.

Conditions out there in Finland were awful, but I'm not using that as an excuse. It was the same for both teams.

The temperature was two degrees below zero and the pitch was frozen. I had to change my boots from studs to rubber soles 20 minutes into the first half.

We've still got the return at Anfield next week and I'm fairly confident that we can score enough goals against them to progress to the Quarter-Finals. But anything can happen in football so we won't underestimate them.

I rate Helsinki about as good as fellow Finns Oulun Palloseura and we beat them 7-0 at Anfield last season.

Flattered

The shock defeat in Finland was our fourth game without a win following League defeats at Ipswich and West Ham and a 0-0 draw with Manchester United at Anfield.

There's no doubt that one point from three First Division games isn't Championship winning form, but we know what we've got to do to put that right.

We were beaten 3-1 at Upton Park, although I felt that the result flattered 'The Hammers'. In many ways, the game was similar to the tie in Finland. We had most of the game but just couldn't put away our chances.

After our draw with Division One leaders United, I'm more convinced than ever that they'll provide us with the strongest challenge for the Championship.

Ron Atkinson has built the most determined and resolute United side I've ever played against.

They were unlucky not to get a penalty in the first half when Mark Lawrenson brought down England skipper Ray Wilkins. I know we'd have been upset had we not got a spot-kick from that incident.

On Saturday, we've got a score to settle with our visitors to Anfield, Brighton. They beat us 1-0 at home last season with our Scottish defender Alan Hansen putting through his own net.

I remember it was so wet that day that Ian Rush saw his shot at an open goal stop dead on the line in a big puddle.

But there should be no problems with puddles on the pitch this time round following the close season improvements to our playing surface.

The surface used to cut up very easily, so during the break the top nine inches of soil were taken off the pitch and it was re-seeded.

It certainly seems to have done the trick because it rained for a day before the game against Manchester United and the pitch stayed firm throughout the match.

The Saturday after our game with Brighton,

Shocker!

LIVERPOOL'S WORST RESULT IN EUROPE

it's the big one as far as the city of Liverpool is concerned. We play our deadly rivals Everton.

We travel the short distance to Goodison Park knowing that League form counts for nothing. These games are like cup ties.

Feelings run so high that I'm convinced there are Liverpool supporters around who wouldn't mind if we didn't win any trophies as long as we beat Everton.

Andy King makes a return to the derby scene following his move from West Brom in the close season. In his first spell with Everton, he was always a thorn in our side so we'll be watching him closely.

Striker David Johnson has been in and out of the Everton side this season, but I hope he'll be

fit enough to face his old team.

Another former Liverpool player on duty should be midfielder Kevin Sheedy and he'll be keen to do well against his old club.

Kevin is a player I've always rated very highly and I know that the Liverpool management were reluctant to let him move in the close season. It hasn't surprised me to see him doing so well.

I can't let this column finish without saying how pleased I was with Scotland's performance in our first European Championship qualifier against East Germany at Hampden.

Despite the blustery conditions, I felt we played very well and it was a great confidence booster to get the campaign off to a winning start.

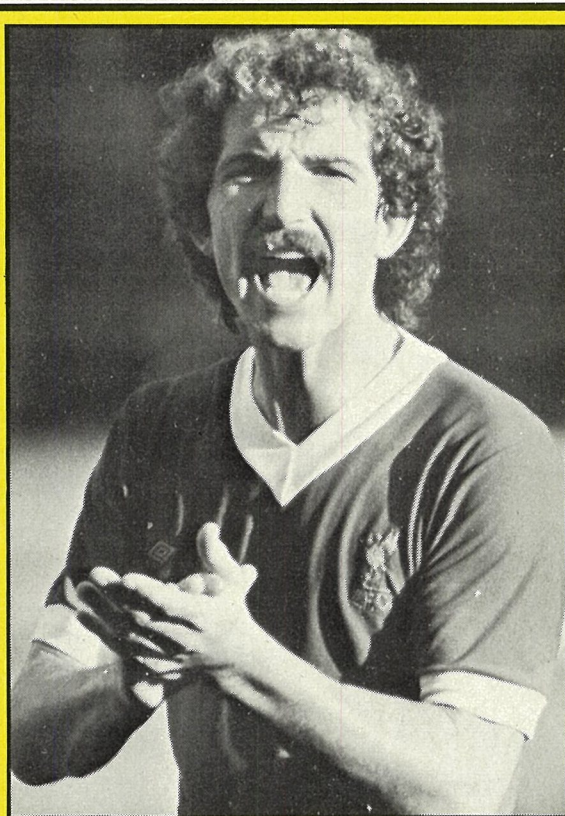
Once again, I had the honour of skipping the Scotland side and I hope to do the same in our next game against Switzerland in November.

But I don't consider myself as Scotland's permanent captain. If results go against us in the next couple of games I could find myself out of favour.

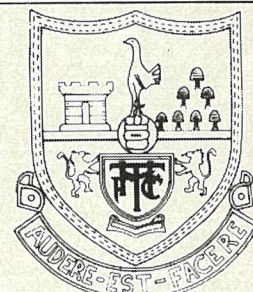
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Graeme Souness

● Graeme Souness was talking to Anthony Hawkswell.



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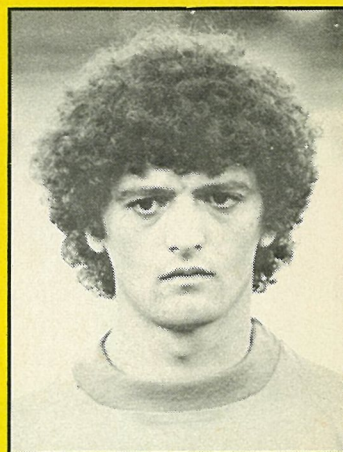
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Italian World Cup hero
Alessandro Altobelli.

INTER-MILAN striker Alessandro Altobelli has declared war against chief coach Rino Marchesi and the negative tactics used by Inter.

In a recent home game against Fiorentina, Altobelli claims he was left up front like a striker standing alone on his own little island while the team tactics demanded that five players operated in midfield.

"Fancy doing that in front of our own fans. How negative can you get?", says Altobelli (27) who scored the third goal for Italy in the

World Cup Final.

Inter could only manage a 0-0 draw in the game in question. But could his outburst have anything to do with the fact that 20 minutes from time, Brazil sub "Juary" Dos Santos was brought on to replace Altobelli?

In any case, Altobelli should know all about negative, defend-at-all-costs tactics. Wasn't it Italy who devised the defence-in-depth system called Catenaccio that drove thousands of real football lovers away from the game?



CRASH HELMUT!

HAVING bets on who will be the first manager to get the sack is a cynical game most football people play every year. It's just the same in West Germany.

Take Eintracht Frankfurt, for instance. The season was a mere seven games old when chief coach Helmut Senekowitsch found himself out of a job.

Results were bad and Branko Zebec was called back from his native Yugoslavia.

The players were astonished at the speed with which Senekowitsch bit the football dust. As Bernd Nickel said: "Typical Eintracht. A new season begins with bad results and panic breaks out in the boardroom."

RUMOURS are rife that Ernst Happel, that much-travelled ex-star player with the Blues of Austria, will leave SV Hamburg at the end of the season and move over to Belgium to become chief coach of Anderlecht.

Hamburg reckon he is staying with them. Happel himself, the 55-year-old former coach to FC Bruges and Standard Liege in Belgium, Feyenoord in Holland as well as the Dutch national team during the 1978 World Cup finals in Argentina, will only say nothing is certain about his future.

Anderlecht chairman Constant Vandendock is a little more open with his comment. He says simply: "If we have the chance of offering Happel a contract, no amount of money will stop us getting our man. Nothing is too high for him."

■ IT seems a long, long time since Liverpool collected a European Cup thrashing from Ajax, and Bill Shankly, that man

The Happel of Anderlecht's eye

of humour, walked away from the mist-shrouded Amsterdam stadium telling everyone in sight he couldn't understand why Ajax were so negative in their approach to football!

Well, the chances are that Ajax and Liverpool will meet again next summer at the other end of the age scale.

Ajax are seeking Dutch FA support to enter their youngsters as representatives of Holland in a youth tournament in Dortmund, West Germany, next May. Borussia Dortmund, the host club, will play for West Germany, Juventus for Italy and Anderlecht for Belgium.

Liverpool will be England's representatives, so it could be a chance to see a new Kenny Dalglish and a new Johan Cruyff on the same field.

■ PORTUGAL produced a surprise in the European Championship with a 2-1 home defeat of Poland in Group Two of the qualifying competition.

A crowd of 75,000 saw Poland, third in the World Cup, go down to goals by Nene and Gomes. Janas scored Poland's goal.

Meanwhile, in England's group, Greece opened their programme with a 2-0 win in Luxembourg.

SPOTLIGHT on the most capped Under-21 international in England's history and his battle to make the step up to the full team.

GARY Owen believes that West Brom's lack of success has hampered his hopes of a full England cap.

The midfield ace says: "Other clubs who've done better than Albion have got more publicity than us and that's brought their players to the forefront.

"I've played as well, if not better, than some of those who have made the full squad and yet they've stepped over me because their teams have done well and been in the news.

"This season, Albion have got off to a flying start in the First Division and that is obviously going to help push my claims for a place in the senior squad."

Gary has already been recommended by England Under-21 manager Dave Sexton following the part he played in helping his country lift the European Championship.

"Dave Sexton said that a few of the Under-21 players are ready to move up and he included myself and Liverpool's Sammy Lee. Now it's up to Bobby Robson.

"The new manager has said that he'll pick the men in form. I only hope I can impress him by playing well at club level.

"This is a very important season for me. My next step has to be the full squad because I don't think I'll ever play at Under-21 level again."

Gary picked up his 22nd Under-21 cap when he played in the second leg of the UEFA Final against West Germany in Bremen.

"I don't think that tally will ever be beaten. I'm very proud of that record, but now I just can't wait for a chance to prove myself at full international level."

Ironically, the tireless midfielder might have been included in the full England squad for the game against West Germany had he not been involved in the Under-21 Championship.

"Bobby Robson said that he wasn't going to include any of us because he felt that winning the European Championship was very important.

"The players all understood. After all, we'd worked hard for three years to reach the Final and we wanted to finish the job," says Gary, who scored two goals in the 3-1 first leg victory at Bramall Lane.

England lost the return 3-2 and Gary admits: "Losing the second leg made winning the Championship taste a little sour.

"We were upset because we felt we were much the better team. We were leading twice and were much the more adventurous side.

"Most teams would have gone there and defended their lead, but we attacked them and, in the end, felt we should have won both legs.

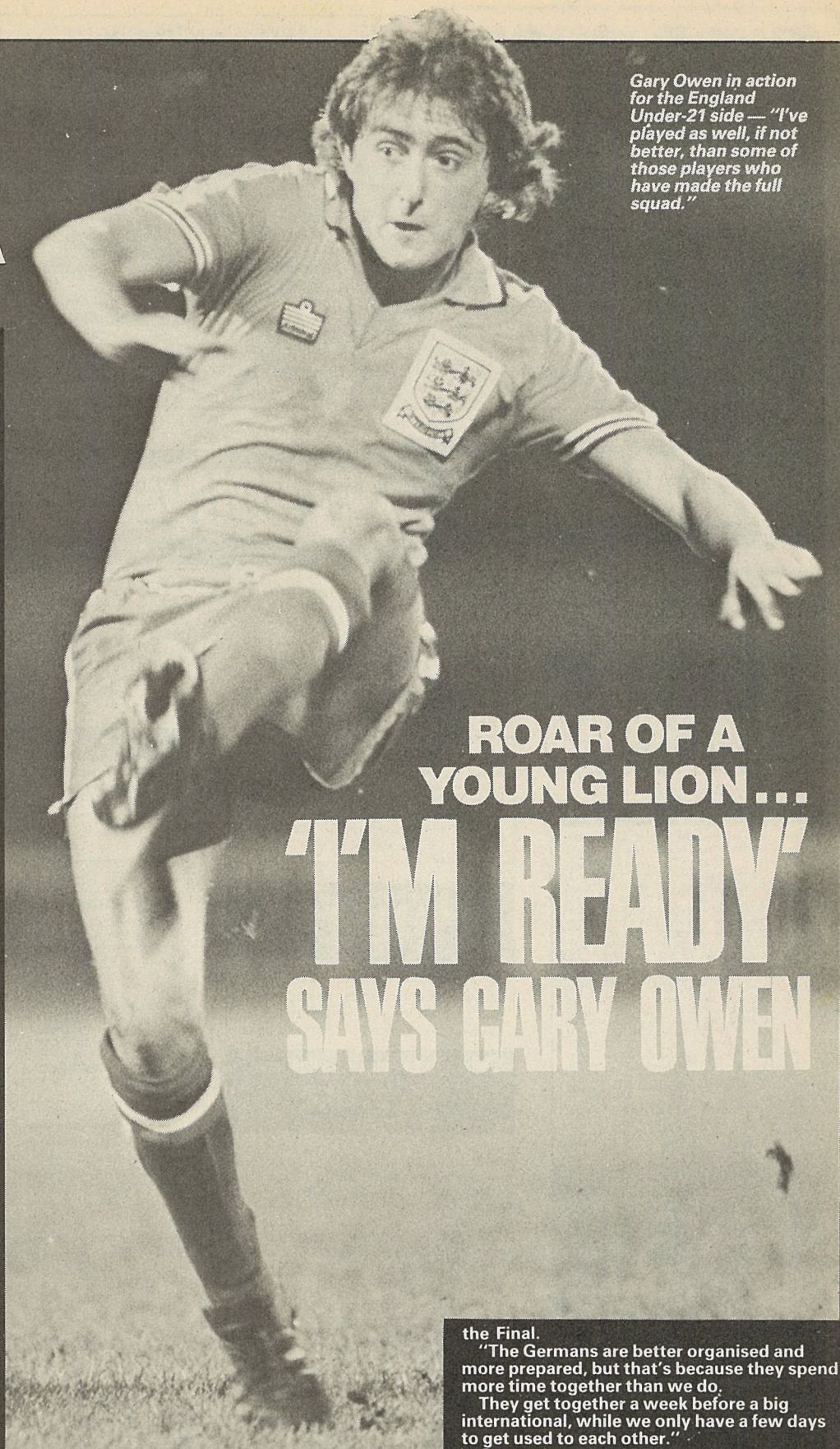
"Whereas the Championship was given big media coverage in West Germany, our own progress in the competition went virtually un-noticed. We didn't get the credit we deserved.

"In Bremen, the atmosphere was incredible. The Germans took the match very seriously.

"They included three or four players who'd represented their country at full international level — including winger Pierre Littbarski.

"The reason we didn't get much publicity is that England are expected to win things. Every time we play, we're expected to come out as victors.

"But there are no easy games at international level anymore. Teams like



Gary Owen in action for the England Under-21 side — "I've played as well, if not better, than some of those players who have made the full squad."

ROAR OF A YOUNG LION... 'I'M READY' SAYS GARY OWEN

Cameroon and Algeria proved that in the World Cup during the summer."

Even though critics are doubting England's ability to compete with the best in the world, Gary firmly believes the international future is bright.

"There's so much strength in depth at the moment that we could have put out three Under-21 teams which would have done as well as each other.

"Everyone was raving about Pierre Littbarski being such a special player, but he wasn't any better than any of us on duty in

the Final.

"The Germans are better organised and more prepared, but that's because they spend more time together than we do.

They get together a week before a big international, while we only have a few days to get used to each other."

Gary, who started his League career with Manchester City before moving to The Hawthorns for £450,000 in June 1979, believes he's playing some of the best football of his career.

"I'm playing a different role to last season. I'm more involved in the middle of the field. Last term I played as a wide player because we had four men in midfield. That's not where I like to play.

"I had a chat with new manager Ron Wylie at the start of the season and he agreed that being involved in midfield is where I'm most effective for the team."

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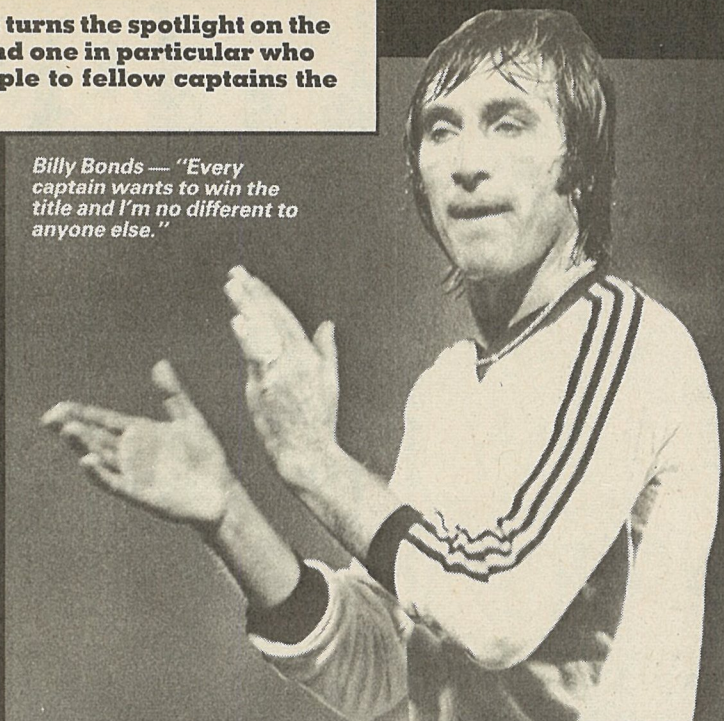
BILLY Bonds, West Ham's 'Captain Courageous' whose distinguished career was threatened by illness last season, is now poised to lead the aristocratic Londoners to their first-ever League Championship.

Not even in the halcyon days of England heroes Martin Peters, Bobby Moore and Geoff Hurst did East London's pride and joy finish higher than sixth in the First Division.

But, with John Lyall's side leading the capital's title challenge after the opening shots of the new campaign, there is a genuine feeling of hope and optimism around the Upton Park terraces that this could be West Ham's year.

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Billy Bonds — "Every captain wants to win the title and I'm no different to anyone else."



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leadership, then 36-year-old swashbuckling Billy and his West Ham side would be a popular successor to Liverpool's throne.

But Billy, a battle-hardened campaigner of more than 650 League games, is as guarded about that prospect as he is uncharitable on the field when his beloved West Ham are under threat.

Deep down, he possesses a burning ambition to lift the coveted Championship trophy for the first time in the club's 64-year League history, but he never allows that to bubble to the surface.

As he stresses: "Every captain in the First Division wants to win the title, so I'm no different to anyone else."

"But I'm not going to think or talk about that possibility until February or March if we are still within striking distance of the leaders."

"It's far too early to talk about winning the title."

"Remember, we were in the top five at this stage last season only to fade during the bleak winter months and finish ninth."

"With it being our first season back in the top flight, I suppose ninth position was a satisfactory one although we felt we should have finished higher."

"But we had some bad results after the long periods of inactivity because of the snow and frost and then we were hit by injury and illness towards the end of the season."

Billy himself contracted

BUT BILLY BONDS REMAINS CAUTIOUS

jaundice last April and there were doubts whether he would be able to continue his First Division career.

But he's bounced back in typical fighting fashion, leading by example as West Ham reeled off five straight wins to underline their threat to title favourites Liverpool and Manchester United.

"You have got to be playing well to beat teams like Arsenal and Liverpool, but we were brought down to earth at Southampton with a 3-0 hammering," he points out.

But Billy believes the West Ham squad is both talented and strong enough to remain in the top six.

"I would love the club to earn a place in Europe next season because that would be a feat in itself."

"It would be nice to achieve a position higher than sixth in the League to chalk up a piece of history for the club, but I'm not thinking about anything more than that at the moment."

"Given the luck with injuries, I feel we have a strong enough squad to stay among the leaders."

"We've still got Trevor Brooking on the sidelines, and new striker Sandy Clark has settled in well after having a few early problems. There are signs of a profitable partnership developing between him and Paul Goddard."

HERE are the First Division captains who set out this season with one aim in mind — to lift the coveted League Championship trophy next May.

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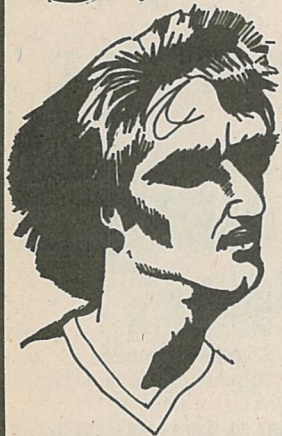
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BRAZIL ace Zico (right) "is the best player in the world," says 14-year-old Martin Platt of Altrincham, Cheshire.

CHRISTOPHER Evans, aged 14, of Rugeley, Staffs, is full of praise for Phil Thompson (left). "Phil is so loyal to Liverpool and England," he says.



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MANY of the writers to 'Terrace Talk' comment on matches they have seen on TV. One such writer stated that "football will never die". But that's what will surely happen if fans get all their football entertainment from 'the box'.

These people should be out on the terraces, supporting their local team.

Just look at the attendance for Liverpool's European Cup First Round tie at Anfield — 12,000. You can bet that most of the missing fans were at home — watching Ipswich on television.

Fans must be tempted away from the telly and back to the terraces.

Martin Rowe, Preston, Lancs.

WHY doesn't the FA scrap the meaningless Charity Shield start to the season between FA Cup and First Division winners?

Surely a better idea would be to kick-off the season with a clash between the Scottish and English League champions for the title of British Champions.

Then Celtic — and Charlie Nicholas, the best centre-forward in Europe — can prove they are the best team in British football. *Christopher Streeter, Colchester, Essex.*

I WAS disappointed with the comments of 'Match' columnist Graham Rix earlier this month when he said that England will have to face a hostile crowd for the European Championship match in Greece next month.

That's not true. Greeks are well-known for their hospitality. And, here in Greece, we admire British football.

I think Graham may have misunderstood our enthusiasm for the game. English players don't have to be afraid of the reception they will receive in Greece.

Sakis Patatzis, Salonica, Greece.

LUTON Town have given the First Division a real tonic this season.

They've had some bad moments — like the 4-1 defeat at Villa — but their adventurous style has produced some sensational football, like the 3-3 draw at Anfield, the 4-4 draw at Stoke and the 3-2 win over Birmingham.

Great stuff, Luton! *Jonathan Taylor (9), Chiswick, London.*

THE idea of a 'Super League' sounds great, especially if it was to include Scottish clubs.

Just think of the excitement caused by a British Super League showdown between Liverpool and Celtic.

These are the teams I would choose to make up the League: Liverpool, Ipswich, Aston Villa, Man. Utd., Tottenham, Arsenal, Man. City, Nottingham Forest, Watford, Everton, West Brom, Swansea, Celtic, Aberdeen.



STEVE Coppell (left) is the subject of Philip Sydenham's drawing. Philip, from Exeter, says: "Steve always gives 100 per cent for Manchester United and England."

"A GREAT midfielder — full of vision and skill" is the way Craig Smith (15) of Scawby, South Humberside, describes West Ham star Trevor Brooking (above).

Rangers and Dundee United.
Michael Hands, Burton-on-Trent,
Staffs.

● **THERE are some West Ham and Dundee fans who wouldn't agree with your selections.**

AFTER Scotland's representatives made a clean sweep of First Round ties in the European competitions, I come to the confident prediction that Scottish clubs will now enjoy the success that English clubs have had in recent years.

Just look at the way English clubs Arsenal, Southampton, Manchester United and Ipswich all suffered the indignity of First Round failure in Europe.

It's Scotland's turn. Move over, England!

Jim Alexander, Ardrossan, Ayrshire, Scotland.

● **IT makes a change for a Scot to crow about a few European victories. Just to jog your memory, it's ten years since a Scottish club won a European competition.**

I GET fed up with Forest getting all the support from the Nottingham public.

While Brian Clough's side are playing some pretty drab football, Notts County are playing brilliant stuff at Meadow Lane.

It's time they got their fair share of the support in Nottingham.

David Smith, Arnold, Nottingham.

GOALKEEPER John Burridge, currently shining for his new club Wolves, said in a recent issue of 'Match' that he wanted to get away from his former club, QPR, because he didn't enjoy playing on the Loftus Road Omnium.

That's a different story from the one Burridge told a year ago in 'Match' when he said that it was just 'sour grapes' when visiting teams complained about playing on QPR's artificial pitch.

Kenneth Vikse, Hakgesund, Norway.



John Burridge — different story now.

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WHEN I ask my friends at school why they don't go to football matches, they complain that the admission prices are too high and they can't afford it.

That's the trouble with football nowadays — it's too expensive. Not many people can afford to fork out £2 every Saturday to watch their team.

When I watched Birmingham seven years ago — I was eight — it cost me 30p. Look how prices have spiralled since.

Players must take some of the blame. Their wages have shot up, resulting in the price increases on the gate.

A maximum wage for players must be introduced. When the clubs pay out less, they can pass the savings on to the customer. And a cut in the cost of admission is the only way to bring back the fans.

Neil Hollins, Solihull, West Midlands.

VERY SOON, the FA Cup is due to start with Division Three and Four clubs plus non-League qualifiers contesting the First and Second Rounds.

It's not until the Third Round that the First and Second Division clubs come into the competition and I don't think that's fair.

I support Hull City but my side stand less chance than Tottenham of winning the Cup because we play two more matches.

Steven Dodsworth, Anlaby Common, Hull.

● **CAN'T remember too many complaints on the subject from Humberside when Hull were in the Second Division.**

I MUST disagree with Miss G. Boxer who wrote in 'Terrace Talk' recently that Sunderland's stadium was a 'wreck'.

In fact, work has already started on improving Roker Park.

And, as for her comment that Sunderland 'weren't fit to be in the First Division', then how come they have beaten teams like Aston Villa and West Ham this season?

John Carson, Sunderland, Tyne and Wear.

Golden Goof

SHAME on the Arsenal programme! Fancy saying that Alan Sunderland scored the extra-time winner in the 1980 Cup Final. Sunderland scored the 1979 FA Cup winner, and it was in normal time, not extra-time.

Howard Robinson, Rainham, Essex.

However many games Alan Sunderland has played—or will play—for Arsenal, his most outstanding, surely, was at White Hart Lane with his skill and precision shooting he mesmerised the Tottenham defence in December 1979, scoring a superb hat-trick in a 5-0 win. He was to earn lasting fame a few months later by scoring the winning goal in extra-time in the 1980 Cup Final. All in all,

FORMER Chelsea and QPR defender Dave Webb is doing a great job as manager of Bournemouth.

He has lifted the club from the obscurity of the Fourth Division into a mid-table spot in Division Three and I feel sure the 'Cherries' will force their way up with the promotion candidates.

Who knows, Dave may be able to go one better than former Bournemouth boss John Bond — now with Manchester City — who failed narrowly to take Bournemouth into Division Two. Shane O'Byrne, Wimborne, Dorset.



Trevor Cherry — ex-England star.

HERE'S my team of ex-England players that would give the present international eleven a tough match:

Phil Parkes (West Ham), Colin Todd (Nottm. Forest), Kevin Beattie (Colchester), Trevor Cherry (Leeds), Brian Greenhoff (South Africa), Alan Ball (Southampton), Mike Channon (Bristol Rovers), Colin Viljoen (unattached), Dennis Tueart (Man. City), David Johnson (Everton), Gerry Francis (Coventry).

Peter Bulley, Rochford, Essex.

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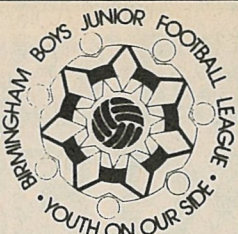
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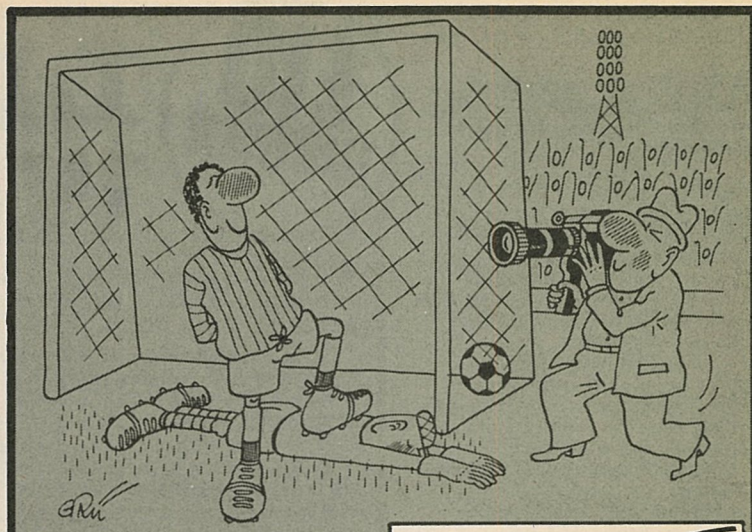
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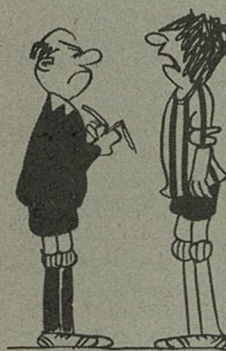
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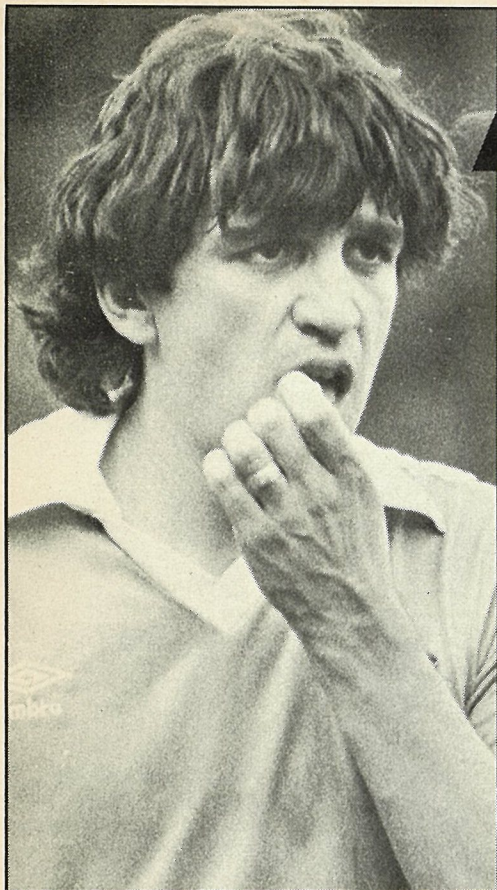
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Kevin Reeves — confidence crisis.

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IT HAS been a season of mixed fortunes so far for myself and my Manchester City striking partner Kevin Reeves.

While I have been living up to my reputation as a proven goalscorer with five goals in seven League appearances, young Kevin has been suffering a confidence crisis in front of goal.

That's why it was so gratifying to see the former England striker open his account for the season in the 2-2 draw with Sunderland at Maine Road.

Apparently it was his first League goal since last March, although I have always advocated that you treat each season separately.

His lack of confidence was evident in the previous home game against Coventry.

He had a couple of good opportunities which, under normal circumstances, he would have buried. But on both occasions, he laid the ball off to someone else.

I must say I have admired the way Kevin has refused to let his goalscoring problems affect other aspects of his game, however.

He has never sulked or moaned in the dressing room and his general play has been outstanding all season.

So everyone was delighted for him when he grabbed the first equaliser against Sunderland and we all hope it has opened the floodgates.

I flicked in the second equaliser from Asa Hartford's attempted shot to take my goal tally to five and complete a sequence of scoring in three successive matches following my ankle

injury.

City spent £150,000 on me because of my proven goalscoring record and, on that basis, I am more than living up to my reputation.

I regard one goal every three games as an acceptable average for a First Division striker.

Taken over the season, that would produce around 15 goals and that's a good term's work — achieving twenty is exceptional.

At the moment, I'm on course for around thirty, a tally I did achieve once at West Ham, but I don't think I can manage to maintain my current rate throughout the season.

It pleases me that the five goals came in five different matches because that shows consistency.

I always maintain that a striker can expect to have at least one clear-cut chance in every match so the important thing is to eliminate your mistake in front of goal.

With experience, I have managed to improve my ratio of goals to chances.

But, while I am more than satisfied with my goal return, especially at a new club, our form, particularly at home, has not shown the same consistency.

We are still within sight of the title-chasers, however, and it has to be the aim of a big club like ourselves to gain a place in Europe next season.

We have been playing reasonably well away from home although we caught the young Everton side on one of their good days at Goodison Park.

They deserved their 2-1 victory on an afternoon when I feel they provided their fans with every bit of their money's worth.

I grabbed a first half equaliser within a minute of Andy King heading them in front from a corner, but Steve McMahon headed a fine winner early in the second half to settle it.

Against Sunderland at Maine Road, we played well below our potential and, in the circumstances, felt somewhat relieved to keep a point after twice being behind.

With all due respect to Sunderland, we presented them with both goals due to defensive errors.

We had a long inquest into the affair at the end of the match and we came to the conclusion that we are ignoring the simple things at home.

We seem far too anxious to produce something different for the fans instead of relying on basic routines we practise day in and day out in training.

This is where I think the City team differs from my former club West Ham.

There's not a big difference between the sides in terms of skill and potential, but the 'Hammers' always play with plenty of confidence in front of their home crowd.

Despite failing to hit a consistent patch, we are still up there, however, and we hope to consolidate our position with some points from forthcoming successive home matches against Swansea and Southampton.

Both have fallen from grace this season after being in the title race last year, but with the players Swansea manager John Toshack has bought over the past season or so, you can be guaranteed a hard game.

Southampton, after all their problems both on and off the field, appear to be picking up the threads again as demonstrated by their 3-0 home defeat of West Ham.

So we are going to have to find that missing confidence at home to achieve the necessary

spoils from those two matches.

It was prior to our last home match that manager John Bond had to make one of his most difficult decisions of the season.

With England's Joe Corrigan fit again after a shoulder injury, he had to decide whether to recall him or continue with his young deputy Alex Williams.

In the end, he chose to bring back big Joe which must have been disappointing for Alex.

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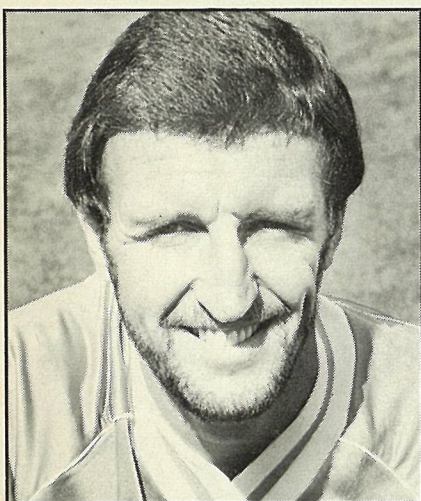
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injury.

City spent £150,000 on me because of my proven goalscoring record and, on that basis, I am more than living up to my reputation.

I regard one goal every three games as an acceptable average for a First Division striker.

Taken over the season, that would produce around 15 goals and that's a good term's work — achieving twenty is exceptional.

At the moment, I'm on course for around thirty, a tally I did achieve once at West Ham, but I don't think I can manage to maintain my current rate throughout the season.

It pleases me that the five goals came in five different matches because that shows consistency.

I always maintain that a striker can expect to have at least one clear-cut chance in every match so the important thing is to eliminate your mistake in front of goal.

With experience, I have managed to improve my ratio of goals to chances.

But, while I am more than satisfied with my goal return, especially at a new club, our form, particularly at home, has not shown the same consistency.

We are still within sight of the title-chasers, however, and it has to be the aim of a big club like ourselves to gain a place in Europe next season.

We have been playing reasonably well away from home although we caught the young Everton side on one of their good days at Goodison Park.

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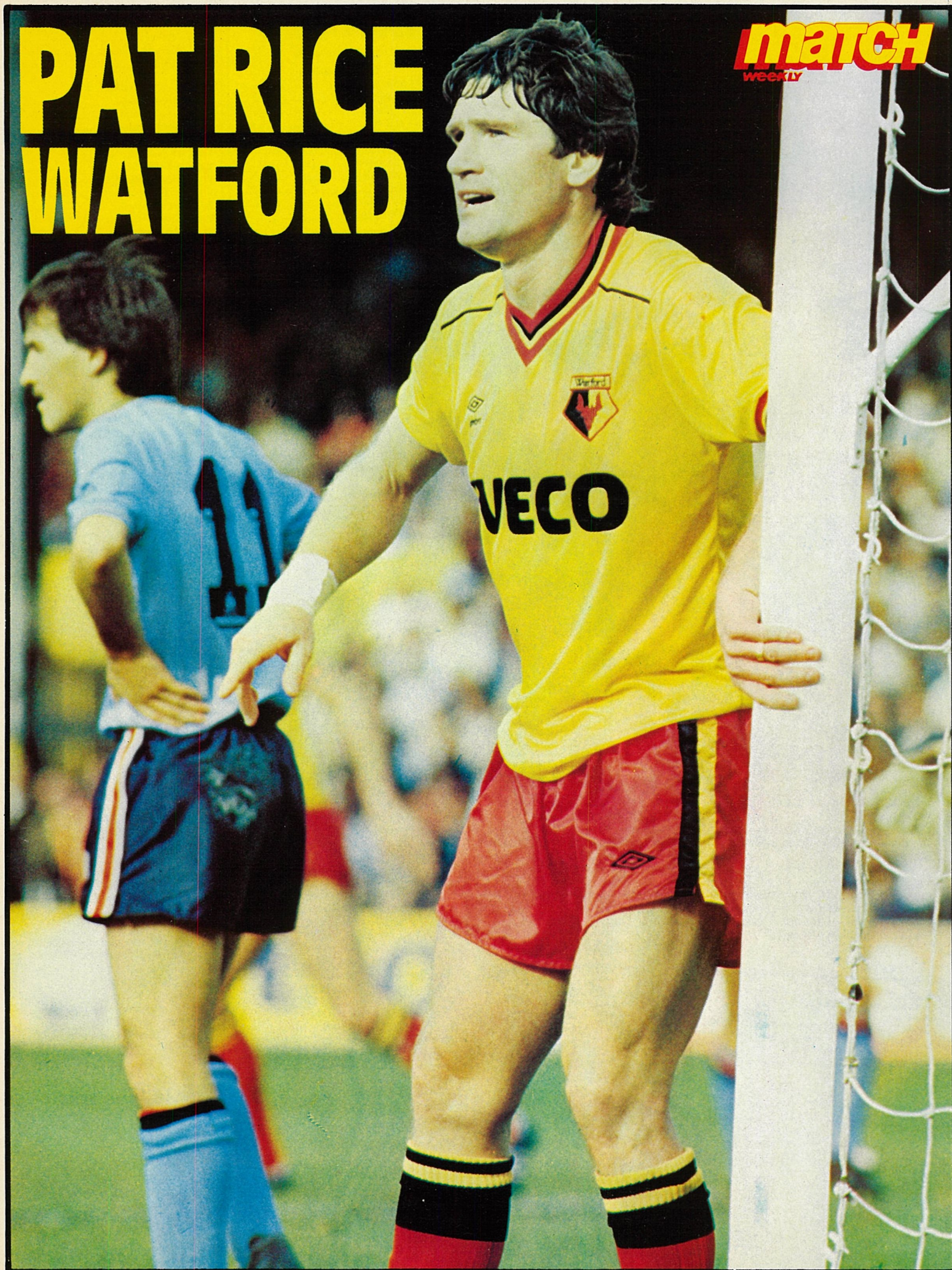


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THIS WEEK'S
STAR GUEST

IMRE VARADI



This week Newcastle striker Imre Varadi (right) is challenged by Gateshead reader Paul Myers (inset).



PROMOTION favourites Queen's Park Rangers can hand out a thrashing to struggling Bolton on the artificial Loftus Road pitch on Saturday!

Newcastle striker Imre Varadi is taking Rangers to win 4-0 at the expense of their Northern visitors.

And he fancies it will be another blank day for North-East rivals Middlesbrough who travel to Rotherham.

Imre is this week's special guest on 'Star Challenge', where the name of the game is forecasting football results — something every soccer fan loves to do.

Each week we select ten matches and one lucky 'Match' reader gets the chance to see his or her predictions in print — alongside those of a famous player.

And this week it's the turn of

15-year-old Paul Myers — an ardent Newcastle fan from Gateshead, Tyne and Wear.

You can see his predictions alongside those of Imre Varadi — his favourite player — in the special panel below.

Points are awarded according to how accurate the forecasts are and if Paul manages to score more than Imre he will be awarded a special 'Star Challenge' certificate. Win or lose, every reader lucky enough to tackle a star receives a personally autographed picture.

If you would like to take part in Star Challenge all you have to do is write in enclosing your name, age, address — together with a black and white photograph of yourself — and most importantly, a home telephone number.

And don't forget to state your favourite team and favourite players.

Write to: 'Star Challenge', Match Weekly, Stirling House, Bretton, Peterborough PE3 8DJ.

● Congratulations to 'Match' reader Nicola Parlour of Letchworth, Herts, who beat Spurs skipper Steve Perryman by five points to two on Saturday October 16.

FIXTURES

Saturday October 30

DIVISION ONE

Arsenal v Birmingham
Aston Villa v Spurs
Coventry v Norwich
Ipswich v W.B.A.
Liverpool v Brighton
Luton v Nott'm Forest
Man. City v Swansea
Notts Co. v Watford
So'ton v Everton
Sunderland v Stoke
West Ham v Man. Utd

DIVISION TWO

Barnsley v Shrewsbury
Burnley v Oldham
Carlisle v Chelsea
Charlton v Blackburn
C. Palace v Fulham
Grimsby v Cambridge

Leeds v Newcastle
Leicester v Sheff. Wed
Q.P.R. v Bolton
Rotherham v M'boro
Wolves v Derby

DIVISION THREE

Bristol R. v Reading
Cardiff v Portsmouth
Doncaster v Chesterfield
Gillingham v Huddersfield
Lincoln v Bradford
Oxford v Exeter
Plymouth v Brentford
Preston v Bournemouth
Sheff. Utd v Millwall
Walsall v Wrexham
Wigan v Newport

DIVISION FOUR

Aldershot v Bristol C.
Bury v Colchester
Chester v Swindon
Hereford v Rochdale
Mansfield v Darlington
Northampton v Peterborough
Port Vale v Blackpool
Torquay v Scunthorpe
Tranmere v Hull
Wimbledon v Stockport
York v Hartlepool

SCOTTISH PREMIER DIVISION

Celtic v Rangers
Dundee Utd v Dundee
Hibernian v Aberdeen
Motherwell v Kilmarnock
St Mirren v Morton

FIRST DIVISION

Alloa v Dumbarton
Ayr v Raith R.
Clydebank v St Johnstone
Dunfermline v Falkirk
Hamilton v Clyde
Partick v Hearts
Queen's Pk. v Airdrie

SECOND DIVISION

Albion R. v Forfar
Arbroath v Cowdenbeath
Brechin v Berwick
East Fife v Stranraer
E. Stirling v Queen of Sth
Stenhousemuir v Meadowbank
Stirling A. v Montrose

Monday, Nov. 1

DIVISION FOUR

Stockport v Hereford

Tuesday, Nov. 2

DIVISION THREE

Bournemouth v Bristol R.
Brentford v Preston
Chesterfield v Gillingham
Huddersfield v Doncaster
Millwall v Plymouth
Newport v Sheff. Utd
Orient v Walsall
Portsmouth v Lincoln
Wrexham v Southend

DIVISION FOUR

Blackpool v Torquay
Bristol C. v Chester
Colchester v Wimbledon
Crewe v York
Darlington v Aldershot
Hull v Bury
Rochdale v Northampton
Scunthorpe v Port Vale
Swindon v Tranmere

Wednesday, Nov. 3

DIVISION THREE

Bradford v Oxford
Exeter v Wigan
Reading v Cardiff

DIVISION FOUR

Hartlepool v Mansfield
Peterborough v Halifax

Friday, Nov. 5

DIVISION THREE

Doncaster v Plymouth
Southend v Bristol R

DIVISION FOUR

Colchester v Mansfield
Halifax v Hereford

Here are the ten selected matches for this week, together with the predictions of a lucky 'Match' reader and his famous opponent. There's a space for you to fill in your predictions and a column for

the actual result. Award two points for every correct score and one point if the result is correct (i.e. home win, away win, draw), but the scoreline is wrong.

Match	Reader's forecast	Star's forecast	Your forecast	Result
Barnsley v Shrewsbury	3-1	3-0		
Burnley v Oldham	2-2	1-1		
Carlisle v Chelsea	2-1	0-0		
Charlton v Blackburn	3-1	0-2		
C. Palace v Fulham	1-2	1-1		
Grimsby v Cambridge	3-1	2-0		
Leicester v Sheff. Wed	1-1	0-0		
Q.P.R. v Bolton	3-0	4-0		
Rotherham v Middlesbrough	2-0	1-0		
Wolves v Derby	3-0	2-1		

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Monday, Oct. 18

Division Four

MANSFIELD (0) 0
SCUNTHORPE (2) 2 (Hunter 15, Cowling 36)
 Att: 2,647
Mansfield: Arnold 5, Woodhead 6, Kennedy 5 (sub. Day 5), Bell 5, Ayre 6, Bird 6,
★MATTHEWS 7, Nicholson 5, Cannell 5, Caldwell 6, Boam 6.
Scunthorpe: Neenan 6, Keeley 6, Pointon 5, Parkinson 5, Baines 6, Hunter 6, O'Berg 7, Duncan 6, **★COWLING** 8, Angus 5, Leman 5.
Referee: M. J. Heath (Stoke)
Match Rating: ★★★

PORT VALE (1) 3 (Moss 17, Armstrong 84, Hunter 86)
HARTLEPOOL (0) 0
 Att: 3,664
Port Vale: Siddall 7, Tarrt 7, Bromage 6, Hunter 6, Sproson 7, Cegielski 7, Earle 5, Moss 6, **★NEWTON** 8, Ridley 5, Armstrong 6.
Hartlepool: Watson 6, **★BROWN** 7, Stimpson 5, Hogan 6, Bird 6, Bainbridge 6, Lowe 6, Dobson 5 (sub. Higgins 5), Linacre 6, Lawrence 5, Barker 6.
Referee: M. Robinson (Sutton Coldfield)
Match Rating: ★★★

TRANMERE (1) 2 (Brown 35, Hutchinson 61)
DARLINGTON (0) 0
 Att: 1,111
Tranmere: Endersby 6, Mathias 6, Parry 6, Burgess 7, Hamilton 6 (sub. Aspinall 6), **★WILLIAMS** 8, Mungall 7, Ferguson 6, Hutchinson 7, Brown 6, Griffiths 6.
Darlington: Cuff 7, Liddle 6, Wilson 6, **★SMITH** 8, Halliday 6, Kamara 7, Hawker 5, McLean 6, Honour 6, Walsh 7, Stalker 5 (sub. Brissett 6).
Referee: A. J. Hamil (Wolverhampton)
Match Rating: ★★★

Tuesday, Oct. 19

**European Cup
 Second Round, First Leg**

J.K. HELSINKI (Finland) (1) 1 (Ismail)
LIVERPOOL (0) 0
 Att: 5,722

Division Two

BARNLEY (0) 1 (Airey 75)
DERBY (1) 1 (Brolly 14)
 Att: 10,343
Barnley: Horn 6, **★JOYCE** 8, Chambers 5, Barrowclough 5, Banks 7, McCarthy 7, Souter 5, Campbell 7 (sub. Airey), Cunningham 7, Ronson 6, Birch 6.
Derby: Banovic 6, Barton 6, Buckley 7, **★POWELL** 8, Foster 7, McAlle 6, Brolly 7, Mills 6, Wilson 7, Swindlehurst 7, Emson 6.
Referee: N. Midgeley (Salford)
Match Rating: ★★

Division Three

BRISTOL ROVERS (2) 4 (Williams, D. 2, 24, McCaffery 80, Holloway 89)
MILLWALL (0) 0
 Att: 7,241
Bristol Rovers: Kite 7, Slatter 6, Williams, B. 7, Williams, G. 6, Parkin 7, McCaffery 6, Holloway 8, Williams, D. 8, Withey 5, Randall 6 (sub. Channon 7), **★BARRETT** 9.
Millwall: Sansome 6, Stevens 6, Madden 6, Chatterton 6, Allardyce 7, Roberts 6, Shinton 6, Neal 7, Aylott 6, Martin 6, **★WEST** 8.
Referee: T. Bune (Newbury)
Match Rating: ★★★

CARDIFF (1) 1 (Bennett, G. 2)
BRADFORD (0) 0
 Att: 5,007
Cardiff: Thomas 7, Jones 7, Bodin 7, Ingram 6, Dwyer 7, **★BENNETT**, G. 8, Bennett, D. 7 (sub. Micallef), Tong 7, Gibbins 6, Hemmerman 7, Lewis 7.
Bradford: **★MCMANUS** 8, Podd 6, Chapman 6, Lester 5, Jackson 6, Cooke 7, Ellis 6, Gray 6, Campbell 5, McNiven 5, Mellor 6.
Referee: D. W. Lloyd (Worcester)
Match Rating: ★★★

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 5 Off form
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 ★★★★ Good value
 ★★★ Satisfactory
 ★★ Dull
 ★ A waste of money

DONCASTER (0) 1 (Snodin, G. pen 89)
WREXHAM (1) 1 (Baker 41)
 Att: 3,420
Doncaster: **★PEACOCK** 8, Russell 7, Snodin 7, Humphries 6, Wigginton 6, Cawthorne 6, Austin 6, Liddell 6 (sub. Graham 6), Douglas 7, Meagan 6, Lister 5.
Wrexham: Niedzwiecki 7, Baker 7 (sub. Edwards 7), Bater 7, Hunt 6, Dowman 7, **★MULDOON** 8, Arkwright 6, Gregory 7, Hill 6, Evans 7, Buxton 7.
Referee: T. Fitzharris (Bolton)
Match Rating: ★★★
Sending Off: Niedzwiecki (Wrexham)

GILLINGHAM (2) 4 (Grewcock 7, 34, Weatherly 59, Tydeman 76)
ORIENT (0) 0
 Att: 3,849
Gillingham: Hillyard 7, Sharpe 7, Adams 6, Bruce 7, Shaw 6, Tydeman 7, Powell 7, Johnson 6, Cascarino 7, **★GREWCOCK** 8, Weatherly 7.
Orient: Day 6, Osgood 6, Roffey 7, Foster 6, Smith 6, Cunningham 6, **★GODFREY** 8, Cornwell 6, McNeil 6, Sussex 6, Taylor 7.
Referee: J. Martin (Alton)
Match Rating: ★★★

HUDDERSFIELD (0) 2 (Russell 49, Brown, pen 62)
SOUTHEND (0) 1 (Yates 72)
 Att: 4,750
Huddersfield: Cox 6 (sub. Stanton 7), Brown 7, Burke 6, Pugh 7, Sutton 6, Hanvey 6, Lillis 7, **★DOYLE** 8, Russell 7, Wilson 7, Cowling 6.
Southend: Cawston 7, Stead 6, Yates 7, Clark 7, Moody 6 (sub. Greaves 7), Cusack 6, **★POUNTNEY** 8, Phillips 6, Mercer 6, Otulakowski 6, Nelson 7.
Referee: A. Saunders (Newcastle)
Match Rating: ★★★

PLYMOUTH (1) 2 (Hodges 17, Sims 77)
BOURNEMOUTH (0) 0
 Att: 2,525
Plymouth: Crudgington 6, **★NISBET** 8, Uzzell 6, Harrison 5, Smith 5, Cooper 6, Hodges 6, Cook 5, Sims 6, McCartney 5, Rogers 7.
Bournemouth: **★LEIGH** 8, Heffernan 6, Sulley 5, Spackman 6, Brignull 5, Compton 7, Carter 6, Williams 5, Morgan 5, Funnell 6, Graham 5.
Referee: V. Callow (Solihull)
Match Rating: ★★

PRESTON (0) 0
NEWPORT (0) 0
 Att: 3,747
Preston: **★ARNOLD** 9, Walsh 5 (sub. Buckley 6), McAtee 6, Clark 6, Westwell 6, Gowling 5, Kelly 6, Bell 6, Elliott 6, Naughton 6, Bruce 6.
Newport: Kendall 7, Jones 6, Relish 6, Bailey 7, **★OAKES** 8, Stroud 6, Lowndes 7, Aldridge 7, Tynan 7, Vaughan 7, Else 7.
Referee: D. Shaw (Sandbach)
Match Rating: ★★

SHEFFIELD UNITED (0) 1 (Brazil 85)
READING (0) 1 (Beavon, pen 80)
 Att: 11,971
Sheff Utd: Conroy 7, Atkins 7, Garner 6, Richardson 7, MacPhail 6 (sub. Edwards 6), Houston 6, **★MORRIS** 8, Charles 7, Young 6, Curran 7, Brazil 7.
Reading: Fearon 7, Williams 7, Richardson 7, Beavon 7, Hicks 7, Wood 7, Bason 7, Earles 6, **★DIXON** 8, Sanchez 6, Doherty 6.
Referee: N. L. Wilson (Morecambe)
Match Rating: ★★

WALSALL (0) 0
CHESTERFIELD (0) 1 (Windridge 59)
 Att: 2,462
Walsall: Green 6, Caswell 7 (sub. Arthur 5), Mower 5, Beech 7, Marshall 5, Hart 6, O'Kelly 6, **★PENDREY** 8, Round 6, Buckley 5, Preece 7.
Chesterfield: Turner 6, Bellamy 7, O'Neill 7, Wilson 8, **★GREEN** 9, Henson 7, Stirk 7, Henderson 6, Walker 6, Kowalski 7, Windridge 8.
Referee: E. Scales (Ware)
Match Rating: ★★

WIGAN (0) 0
PORTSMOUTH (0) 1 (Biley 56)
 Att: 4,504
Wigan: Tunks 7, McMahon 6, Weston 5, Lloyd 5, Methven 5, O'Keefe 5 (sub. Williams 7), Langley 6, Cribble 6, Bradd 6, Butler 5, **★GEMMILL** 8.

Portsmouth: Knight 6, McLaughlin 7, Sullivan 6, Howe 7, Tait 7, Doyle 7, **★WEBB** 8, Rogers 6, Thomas 7, Rafferty 7, Biley 7.
Referee: B. Newsome (Broseley)
Match Rating: ★★

Division Four

ALDRSHOT (1) 2 (McDonald 35, Goddard 68)
CREWE (1) 1 (Evans 27)
 Att: 1,574
Aldershot: Johnson 6, Andruszewski 7, Gillard 8, Scott 7, Wooler 7, Jopling 6, Shrubbs 6, Banton 7, Goddard 8, **★MCDONALD** 9, Brodie 6 (sub. Sanford 7).
Crewe: Smith 6, Moore 5, Bowers 5, Salathiel 5, Scott 5, **★HANLON** 8, Haslegrave 6, Sutton 7, Jones 6, Evans 7, Waller 6.
Referee: B. Stevens (Stonehouse)
Match Rating: ★★★

BLACKPOOL (1) 1 (Deary 22)
YORK (0) 1 (Walwyn 54)
 Att: 2,765
Blackpool: **★HESFORD** 9, Simmonite 6, Hart 6, Deary 7, Hetzke 7, Serella 7, Hockaday 6, Stewart 6, Bamber 7, Pashley 7, Downes 6, York: Jones 6, Evans 7, Hood 6, Sbragia 6, Crosby 7, Smith 7, Pollard 7, **★FORD** 8, Walwyn 7, Busby 7, Laverick 6.
Referee: M. Peck (Kendal)
Match Rating: ★★

BURY (1) 3 (Hilton, P. 32, Firth 86, Johnson 87)
STOCKPORT (1) 2 (Quinn 36, Phillips 56)
 Att: 2,447
Bury: Brown 7, **★GARDNER** 8, Hilton, P. 7, Bramhall 6, Kenworthy 5, Gore 5 (sub. Parker 6), Cruickshank 6, Jakub 6, Madden 5, Johnson 6, Firth 7.
Stockport: Lloyd 7, Rutter 6, Thorpe 6, Bowles 7, Sherlock 6, Williams 6, Park 6, Emerson 7, **★PHILLIPS** 8, Power 5, Quinn 6.
Referee: A. Seville (Birmingham)
Match Rating: ★★

HALIFAX (2) 2 (Davison 27, 35)
BRISTOL CITY (1) 2 (Ritchie 41, Newman 50)
 Att: 1,465
Halifax: Smelt 6, Nobbs 6, Goodman 7, Evans 5, Smith 5, **★HENDRIE** 8, Wood 5 (sub. Hallybone), Davison 7, Spooner 5, Nuttall 7, Ward 7.
Bristol City: Shaw 6, Newman 7, Johnson 6, Nicholls 6, Boyle 6, Riley 5, **★COOPER** 8, Ritchie 7, Chandler 7, Williams 6, Crawford 7.
Referee: M. Scott (Nottingham)
Match Rating: ★★

NORTHAMPTON (0) 2 (Denyer 47, Burrows 88)
COLCHESTER (0) 1 (Allinson 83)
 Att: 1,955
Northampton: Freeman 6, Tucker 7, **★PHILLIPS** 8, Burrows 6, Gage 5, Saunders 7, Denyer 7, Buchanan 7 (sub. Coffill 5), Heeley 7, Massey 7, Perrin 5.
Colchester: Walker 6, Cook 6, Coleman 6, Hunter 6, Wignall 6, Beattie 5, Allinson 6, **★OSBORNE** 8, Lyons 6, McDonough 7, Leslie 6.
Referee: T. D. Spencer (Salisbury)
Match Rating: ★★

WIMBLEDON (1) 3 (Peters 6, 64, Leslie 90)
ROCHDALE (0) 0
 Att: 2,294
Wimbledon: Beasant 7, Peters 7, Thomas 6, Gage 6, Tagg 5, Morris 6, Evans 5 (sub. Fishenden), Ketteridge 6, Leslie 6, **★DOWNES** 8, Hodges 6.
Rochdale: Pearce 7, Keenan 6, Snookes 6, **★FARRELL** 8, Taylor 5 (sub. Martinez), Williams 5, Thompson 6, Comstive 6, French 7, Wellings 6, Hilditch 6.
Referee: L. F. Burden (Dorset)
Match Rating: ★★

Wednesday, Oct. 20

**European Cup
 Second Round, First Leg**

DYNAMO BUCHAREST (Rumania) (0) 0
ASTON VILLA (1) 2 (Shaw 2)
 Att: 80,000

REAL SOCIEDAD (Spain) (0) 2
 (Satrustegui, Uralde)
CELTIC (0) 0
 Att: 35,000

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Other results: CSKA Sofia (Bulgaria) 2, Sporting Lisbon (Portugal) 2; Rapid Vienna (Austria) 2, Widzew Lodz (Poland) 1; Standard Liege (Belgium) 1, Juventus (Italy) 1.

European Cup Winners' Cup Second Round, First Leg

TOTTENHAM (1) 1 (Archibald)
BAYERN MUNICH (W. Germany) (0) 1 (Breitner)
Att: 36,488

ABERDEEN (0) 2 (McGhee, Weir)
LECH POZNAN (Poland) (0) 0
Att: 18,000

SWANSEA (0) 0
PARIS ST GERMAIN (France) (0) 1 (Toko)
Att: 9,505

Other results: Red Star Belgrade (Yugoslavia) 2, Barcelona (Spain) 4; Galatasaray (Turkey) 2, Austria Vienna (Austria) 4; Copenhagen (Denmark) 0, Waterschei (Belgium) 2; AZ Alkmaar (Holland) 1, Inter-Milan (Italy) 0.

UEFA Cup Second Round, Second Leg

RANGERS (1) 2 (Johnstone, McClelland)
COLOGNE (W. Germany) (0) 1 (Allofs)
Att: 40,000

VIKING STAVANGER (Norway) (0) 1 (Henriksen)
DUNDEE UNITED (0) 3 (Milne 2, Sturrock)
Att: 8,390

Other results: Slask Wroclaw (Poland) 0, Servette (Switzerland) 2; Moscow Spartak (USSR) 2, Haarlem (Holland) 0; Benfica (Portugal) 2, Lokeren (Belgium) 0; Ferencvaros (Hungary) 1, FC Zurich (Switzerland) 1; Poak Salonika (Greece) 2, Seville (Spain) 0; Anderlecht (Belgium) 4, FC Porto (Portugal) 0; Hadjuk Split (Yugoslavia) 4, Bordeaux (France) 1; Corvinul (Romania) 4, Sarajevo (Yugoslavia) 4.

Division Two

LEEDS (2) 3 (Worthington 5, Butterworth 15, Hird 71)
BURNLEY (1) 1 (Muir 30)
Att: 13,827
Leeds: Lukic 7, Cherry 7, Gray, E 6, Burns 6, Hart 6, Thomas 6, Hird 6, Butterworth 7, Worthington 6, Gray, F 7. ***GRAHAM 8**.
Burnley: Stevenson 7, Laws 6, Wharton 7, Scott 6, Phelan 6, Holt 7. ***DOBSON 8**, Cavenor 6, Hamilton 6, Muir 6, Young 6.
Referee: P. N. Willis (Co. Durham)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

Division Three

LINCOLN (2) 4 (Bell, pen 19, 47, pen 82, Hobson 27)
EXETER (0) 1 (Kellow, pen 46)
Att: 3,699
Lincoln: Felgate 6, Carr 7, Neale 7, Cockerill 7, Peake 8, Thompson 8, Burke 7, Turner 7, Hobson 8. ***BELL 9**, Shipley 8.
Exeter: Bond 6, Kirkup 5, Viney 6, Rogers, M 5, Hatter 5, McEwan 6, Harle 6, Rogers, P 6, Kellow 6, Dolve 6. ***NEVILLE 7**.
Referee: D. Scott (Burnley)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

OXFORD (1) 2 (Whatmore 28, Fogg, pen 84)
BRENTFORD (1) 2 (Joseph 10, Linney, og 63)
Att: 6,113
Oxford: Burton 6, Linney 6, Fogg 6, Train 7, Briggs 6, Shotton 6, Brock 6, Barnett 7. ***WHATMORE 8**, Foley 7 (sub. Vinter 7), Hebbard 6.
Brentford: Roche 6, Rowe 6, Wilkins 5, McNichol 6, Booker 6, Hurlock 5, Kamara 7. ***JOSEPH 8**, Mahoney 6, Bowles 6, Roberts 7.
Referee: H. Taylor (Oadby)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

Division Four

CHESTER (1) 1 (Zelem 18)
PETERBOROUGH (0) 1 (Gynn 54)
Att: 1,401
Chester: Salmon 5, Bradley 7, Lane 6, Storton 6, Zelem 7, Dean 5, Sloan 5. ***THOMAS 8**, Simpson 6, Ludlam 5, Cooke 7.
Peterborough: Seaman 7, Winters 6, Collins 5, Gynn 6, Firm 5, Rodaway 5, Clarke 7. ***QUOW 8**, Linton 6, Benjamin 7, Chard 6.
Referee: C. Seel (Carlisle)
Match Rating: ★★

HEREFORD (1) 2 (Showers 14, White 90)
HULL (0) 0
Att: 2,320
Hereford: Plumley 7, Price 7, Bray 7, Hicks 7, Pejic 7, Bartley 7. ***LANE 8**, Harvey 6, Showers 7, McNeil 7, White 7.
Hull: ***NORMAN 8**, McNeil 6, Askw 6, Roberts, D 7, Skipper 7, Swann 6, Marwood 7, McClaren 6, Whitehurst 6, Mutrie 5 (sub. Flounders 6), Roberts, G 6.
Referee: L. C. Shapter (Torquay)
Match Rating: ★★

TORQUAY (0) 1 (Cooper 66)
SWINDON (0) 1 (Rideout 75)
Att: 2,979
Torquay: ***HORN 8**, Doyle 6, O'Donnell 6, Wilson 6, Bould 6, Grapes 5, Little 6, Anderson 7, Carter 5, Cooper 7, Gallagher 7. ***SWINDON**: Allan 7, Henry 6, Baddeley 6, Emmanuel 7, Lewis 6, Graham 6, Pritchard 6, Batty 6, Rideout 7, Rowland 6. ***BARNARD 8**.
Referee: K. Cooper (Pontypridd)
Match Rating: ★★
Sending Off: Pritchard (Swindon)

Friday, Oct. 22 Division Four

CREWE (1) 1 (Evans 14)
PORT VALE (1) 2 (Cegielski 9, Newton, pen 72)
Att: 4,713
Crewe: Smith 7, Purdie 7, Bowers 8. ***SALATHIEL 9**, Scott 8, Hanlon 6. Haslegrave 6, Sutton 6 (sub. Craven), Waller 7, Evans 7, Jones 6.
Port Vale: Siddall 7, Tarrt 7. ***BROMAGE 8**, Hunter 6, Sproson 7, Cegielski 7, Earle 6, Moss 6, Newton 7, Ridley 7, Armstrong 6.
Referee: M. G. Peck (Kendal)
Match Rating: ★★

COLCHESTER v CHESTER — Match Postponed

STOCKPORT (0) 2 (Coyle 47, Quinn 62)
YORK (0) 1 (Walwyn 85)
Att: 2,014
Stockport: Lloyd 6, Rutter 7, Sherlock 7, Emerson 7, Bowles 6, Thorpe 7, Williams 7, Phillips 6, Quinn 7, Park 7. ***COYLE 8**.
York: Jones 6, Evans 7, Hood 6, Sbragia 7, Crosby 7. ***SMITH 8**, Pollard 7, Hood 6, Walwyn 7, Busby 7 (sub. Byrne 7), Laverick 6.
Referee: D. Allison (Lancaster)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

Saturday, Oct. 23 Division One

BIRMINGHAM (0) 0
IPSWICH (0) 0
Att: 12,051
Birmingham: Blyth 6, Mumford 6, Van den Hauwe 6, Stevenson 7. ***BLAKE 8**, Broadhurst 6, Dillon 7, Bremner 6, Brazier 5, Curbishley 6, Handysides 5.
Ipswich: Cooper 6, Burley 6, Mills 5, Thijsen 6, Osman 7, Butcher 7, Wark 6, McCall 6, Mariner 6, Brazil 5. ***GATES 8**.
Referee: N. Ashley (Nantwich)
Match Rating: ★★
Sending Off: Mariner (Ipswich)

BRIGHTON (1) 3 (Smith 44, Gattling 77, Robinson 84)
WEST HAM (0) 1 (Devonshire 90)
Att: 20,490
Brighton: Moseley 6, Stevens 7, Pearce 7, Stille 7, Foster 7. ***GATTING 9**, Case 6 (sub. Ryan 7), McNab 7, Robinson 8, Ward 8, Smith 7.
West Ham: ***PARKES 9**, Stewart 6, Lampard 6, Bonds 7, Martin 7, Devonshire 8, Van der Elst 7, Goddard 6, Clark 6, Allen 6, Pike 7.
Referee: LK. Burden (Dorset)
Match Rating: ★★★★★
Sending Off: Lampard (West Ham)

EVERTON (1) 3 (Johnson 7, Sharp 56, Richardson 85)
SUNDERLAND (0) 1 (McCoist 67)
Att: 20,360
Everton: Southall 6, Borrows 6, Bailey 7, Higgins 6, Wright 7, McMahon 7, Heath 6 (sub. Richardson), Johnson 7, Sharp 6, King 6. ***SHEEDY 8**.
Sunderland: Turner 7, Nicholl 6, Munro 6, Atkins 5, Chisholm 6, Elliott 6 (sub. Venison 6), Buckley 6, Rowell 6. ***MCCOIST 8**, West 5, Cummins 6.
Referee: J. Bray (Hinckley)
Match Rating: ★★

MANCHESTER UNITED (0) 2 (Stapleton 54, 81)
MANCHESTER CITY (1) 2 (Tueart 12, Cross 47)
Att: 57,334
Man Utd: Bailey 6, Duxbury 6, Albiston 6, Wilkins 5, Moran 6, McQueen 6, Robson 6, Muhren 5 (sub. Macari), Stapleton 7, Whiteside 5. ***COPPELL 8**.
Man City: ***CORRIGAN 9**, Ranson 6, McDonald 6, Bond 7, Power 6, Caton 7, Tueart 7, Reeves 7, Cross 6, Hartford 7, Baker 6.
Referee: D. Richardson (Gt. Harwood)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

NORWICH (0) 1 (Deehan, pen 50)
ASTON VILLA (0) 0
Att: 15,761
Norwich: Woods 7, Haylock 7, Walsh 6, McGuire 7, Walford 7, Watson 7, Van Wyk 7, O'Neill 7. ***DEEHAN 8**, Bertschin 6, Bennett 7.
Aston Villa: Rimmer 7, Jones 7, Gibson 6, Evans 7 (sub. Williams 6), McNaught 6, Mortimer 7. ***BREMNER 8**, Shaw 7, Geddis 6, Cowans 7, Morley 6.
Referee: K. Salmon (Barnet)
Match Rating: ★★
Sendings Off: Bertschin (Norwich), Gibson (Aston Villa)

NOTTINGHAM FOREST (1) 3 (Proctor 9, Birtles 82, Wallace 85)
ARSENAL (0) 0
Att: 17,176
Nott'm Forest: ***VAN BREUKELAN 8**, Swain 6, Gunn 5, Todd 6, Fairclough 6, Bowyer 6, Proctor 7, Wallace 7, Birtles 7, Walsh 6 (sub. Wigley 6), Robertson 6.
Arsenal: Wood 6, Hollins 7, Sansom 7, Talbot 6, O'Leary 6, Whyte 6. ***DAVIS 8**, Sunderland 6, Robson 6 (sub. Chapman), Woodcock 7, Rix 7.
Referee: G. Courney (Spennymoor)
Match Rating: ★★

STOKE (1) 1 (Thomas 36)
LIVERPOOL (1) 1 (Lawrenson 27)
Att: 29,411
Stoke: ***HARRISON 9**, Parkin 5, Hampton 7, Bracewell 7, Watson 8, McAughtrie 7, Maquire 6, McLroy 7, O'Callaghan 5, Thomas 7, Chamberlain, M 7 (sub. Dodd).
Liverpool: Grobbelaar 6, Neal 8. ***KENNEDY 9**, Thompson 7, Whelan 8, Hansen 7, Dalgligh 7, Lee 8, Rush 7, Lawrenson 8, Souness 7.
Referee: H. Taylor (Oadby)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

SWANSEA (0) 3 (Rofe, og 50, James, R 52, Latchford 88)
SOUTHAMPTON (1) 2 (Fashanu 44, Wallace 53)
Att: 10,694
Swansea: Davies 6, Lewis 6, Hadziabdic 7, Evans 6, Kennedy 6, Rajkovic 7. ***CURTIS 9**, James, R 7, Latchford 6, Stanley 7, Mahoney 6 (sub. Loveridge 6).
Southampton: Wells 7, Rofe 5, Holmes 6, Williams 7, Nicholl 6, Wright 7, Ball 6, Moran 6. ***FASHANU 8**, Armstrong 6, Wallace 6.
Referee: M. J. Heath (Stoke-on-Trent)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

TOTTENHAM (2) 4 (Mabbutt 25, Crooks 45, 66, Brooke 74)
NOTTS COUNTY (0) 2 (Christie 48, Chiedozie 61)
Att: 25,783
Spurs: Clemence 7, Price 7, O'Reilly 7, Miller 6, Lacy 7, Hazard 7. ***BROOKE 8**, Falco 6, Buckley 7, Villa 6 (sub. Crook 6), Crooks 7.
Notts County: Avramovic 7, Lahtinen 6, Worthington 7, Hunt 6, Kilcline 6, Richards 7. ***CHIEDOZIE 8**, Christie 7, McCulloch 6 (sub. Goodwin), Clarke 5, Mair 7.
Referee: I. J. Borrett (Suffolk)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

WATFORD (0) 0
COVENTRY (0) 0
Att: 17,334
Watford: Sherwood 6, Patching 6, Rostron 7, Taylor 7, Sims 6, Jackett 6. ***CALLAGHAN 8**, Blissett 7, Armstrong 7 (sub. Jenkins 6), Lohman 7, Barnes 7.
Coventry: Sealey 7, Thomas 6, Roberts 7, Butterworth 6. ***DYSON 8**, Gillespie 7, Jacobs 5, Francis 7, Melrose 6, Thompson 7, Hunt 7.
Referee: D. J. Axcell (Southend)
Match Rating: ★★

WEST BROM (1) 1 (Whitehead 24)
LUTON (0) 0
Att: 16,345
West Brom: Godden 7, Batson 7. ***STATHAM 9**, Zondervan 6, Bennett 8, Robertson 7, Jol 6, Brown 6, Regis 6, Owen 8, Whitehead 7.
Luton: ***JUDGE 8**, Stephens 7, Money 6, Horton 6, Goodyear 7, Donaghy 7, Hill 7, Stein 6, Walsh 7, Fuccillo 6 (sub. Turner 6), Moss 6.
Referee: M. Scott (Nottingham)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

Division Two

BLACKBURN (0) 0
LEEDS (0) 0
Att: 12,040
Blackburn: Gennoe 6, Branagan 6, Rathbone 5, Randall 5, Mail 5, Fazackerley 6, Miller 6, Hamilton 5, Stonehouse 5 (sub. Bell 5). ***GARNER 7**, Brotherton 6.
Leeds: ***LUKIC 7**, Cherry 5, Gray, E 5, Burns 6, Hart 6, Hird 5, Thomas 5, Gray, F 5, Butterworth 5, Worthington 5, Graham 5.
Referee: C. L. Newsome (Shropshire)
Match Rating: ★★

BOLTON (0) 0
BARNLEY (1) 2 (Glavin 7, Birch 88)
Att: 7,339
Bolton: ***MCDONAGH 9**, Whitworth 7, Bennett 4, Reid 7, Jones 6, McElhinney 5, Chandler 5, Henry 5, Moores 6, Rudge 6, Hoggan 5.
Barnley: Horn 7, Joyce 7, Chambers 7. ***GLAVIN 8**, Banks 7, McCarthy 7, Souter 6, Campbell 6, Cunningham 6, Ronson 7, Birch 7.
Referee: F. Roberts (Prestatyn)
Match Rating: ★★

CAMBRIDGE v WOLVES — Match Postponed

CHELSEA (1) 3 (Bumstead 5, Pates 48, Robson 65)
CHARLTON (1) 1 (Hales 31)
Att: 14,492
Chelsea: Francis 7, Locke 8, Hutchings 7, Pates 7. ***DROY 9**, Chivers 8, Walker 7, Bumstead 7, Robson 7, Speedie 8, Fillery 7. Charlton: Johns 6, Berry 6, Ferns 6, Mehmet 5, (sub. Robinson 6), Elliott 7. ***SCOTT 8**, Harris 6, Bullivant 6, White 5, Hales 6, O'Sullivan 6.
Referee: C. Thomas (Porthcawl)
Match Rating: ★★

DERBY (0) 0
LEICESTER (1) 4 (Lineker 24, 81, 89, Smith 51)
Att: 13,191
Derby: Banovic 6, Barton 6, Buckley 6, Attley 4, Foster 4, McAlle 5, Broly 5, Mills 5, Wilson 5. ***SWINDLEHURST 8**, Emson 4.
Leicester: Wallington 7, Ramsey 7, Friar 7, McDonald 7, May 7, O'Neill 6, Lynex 7. ***LINEKER 9**, Kelly (sub. Smith 7), English 7, Wilson 7.
Referee: N. L. Wilson (Morecambe)
Match Rating: ★★

FULHAM (1) 3 (Lewington, pen 5, pen 73, Houghton 84)
BURNLEY (1) 1 (Laws, pen 40)
Att: 9,040
Fulham: Peyton 7, Hopkins 6, Parker 7, O'Driscoll 6, Brown 6, Gale 7, Davies 7 (sub. Carr 6), Tempest 6, Coney 6. ***HOUGHTON 9**, Lewington 7.
Burnley: Stevenson 7, Laws 7, Wharton 7, Scott 6 (sub. Stephen 6), Phelan 6, Holt 6. ***DOBSON 8**, Cavenor 6, Hamilton 7, Taylor 6, Young 6.
Referee: E. A. Read (Bristol)
Match Rating: ★★

MIDDLESBROUGH (0) 2 (Nattrass, pen 65, Otto 67)
QPR (1) 1 (Allen 10)
Att: 7,892
Middlesbrough: Platt 7, Brownlie 7, Bolton 6, Otto 6, Baxter 5, Wood 6, Mowbray 7, Cochrane 5, MacDonald 5, Nattrass 5. ***BELL 8**.

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QPR: Hucker 6, Neill 7, Dawes 7.
***WADDOCK 8,** Hazell 7, Fenwick 7,
 Micklewhite 7, Stewart 7 (sub. Fereday),
 Allen 7, Sealy 7, Gregory 7.
Referee: J. N. Key (Rotherham)
Match Rating: ★★★

NEWCASTLE (1) 1 (Waddle 38)
CRYSTAL PALACE (0) 0
 Att: 22,554
Newcastle: Carr 7, Anderson 7, Saunders 6,
***MARTIN 8,** Clarke 7, Haddock 6, Keegan 7,
 McCreery 6, Varadi 6, Wharton 6, Waddle 7.
Crystal Palace: ***BARRON 8,** Nebbeling 6,
 Brooks 6, Lovell 7, Cannon 7, Gilbert 6, Giles
 6, Hughton 7, Edwards 6, Mabbutt 6, Hilaire
 7.
Referee: T. Fitzharris (Bolton)
Match Rating: ★★

OLDHAM (1) 4 (Ryan 40, Atkinson 53,
 Heaton 67, Palmer 70)
CARLISLE (0) 3 (Larkin 50, Shoulder 62,
 Staniforth, pen 87)
 Att: 4,211
Oldham: Goram 6, Hoolickin 6, ***RYAN 8,**
 Keegan 6 (sub. Bowden 6), Clements 7,
 Fletcher 7, McDonough 6, Atkinson 6, Heaton
 6, Wylde 6, Palmer 6.
Carlisle: Swinburne 6, Parker 6, Haigh 6,
 Ashurst 7, ***LARKIN 8,** Craig 7, Staniforth 6,
 Hornsby 6, Poskett 6, Bannon 6 (sub.
 Rushbury 6), Shoulder 6.
Referee: V. Callow (Solihull)
Match Rating: ★★★

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY (1) 2 (Lyons 18,
 Shelton 74)
GRIMSBY (0) 0
 Att: 17,904
Sheff Wed: Bolder 7, Sterland 8, Bailey 7,
 Smith 7, Lyons 7, Shelton 8, Megson 8, Taylor
 7, ***BANNISTER 9,** McCulloch 6, Pearson 7,
Grimsbey: ***GROTIER 8,** Moore, D 6, Crosby
 6 (sub. Ford 6), Waters 7, Cooper 7, Moore, K
 7, Cumming 6, Kilmore 7, Drinkell 7,
 Bonnyman 7, Whymark 6.
Referee: A. J. Hamil (Wolverhampton)
Match Rating: ★★★

SHREWSBURY (0) 2 (Johnson 57, Petts 64)
ROTHERHAM (0) 0
 Att: 3,926
Shrewsbury: Ogrizovic 6, Williams 7,
 Johnson 7, Petts 8, Pearson 7, Griffin 7,
 Cross 7, MacLaren 7, Brown 7, ***MCNALLY**
 9, Bates 7.
Rotherham: Mountford 6, ***FORREST 7,**
 Breckin 6, McEwan 6, Hughes 6, Green 6,
 Townner 6, Gow 6, Moore 5, Seaman 5 (sub.
 Fern 5), McBride 5.
Referee: J. B. Worrall (Warrington)
Match Rating: ★★★

Division Three

BOURNEMOUTH (0) 0
GILLINGHAM (0) 1 (Bruce, pen 64)
 Att: 5,528
Bournemouth: Leigh 7, Heffernan 7,
***SULLEY 8,** Spackman 6, Brignull 6,
 Compton 6, Carter 7 (sub. Dawtry), Williams
 7, Morgan 6, Funnell 6, Graham 7.
Gillingham: Hillyard 7, Sharpe 7, Adams 7,
***BRUCE 8,** Shaw 7, Tydeman 6, Powell 6
 (sub. Price 6), Johnson 6, Cascarino 7,
 Grewcock 7, Weatherly 6.
Referee: H. King (Merthyr Tydfil)
Match Rating: ★★★

BRADFORD (1) 1 (Campbell 38)
DONCASTER (0) 0
 Att: 5,526
Bradford: McManus 6, Podd 6, Chapman 6,
***LESTER 8,** McFarland 7, Cooke 7, Gray 6,
 Ellis 7, Campbell 7 (sub. Jackson 6), McNiven
 6, Mellor 6.
Doncaster: Boyd 6, Russell 6, Snodin 6,
 Humphries 6, ***WIGGINGTON 8,** Cawthorne
 7, Robertson 6, Liddell 7, Douglas 6, Austin 7,
 Lister 6 (sub. Graham 7).
Referee: N. Midgley (Salford)
Match Rating: ★★★
Sending Off: Lester (Bradford)

BRENTFORD (1) 2 (Joseph 32, Bowen 78)
LINCOLN (0) 0
 Att: 8,017
Brentford: Roche 8, Rowe 7, Wilkins 6 (sub.
 Bowen), McNicol 7, Whitehead 7.
***HURLOCK 9,** Kamara 8, Joseph 8,
 Mahoney 8, Bowles 7, Roberts 8.
Lincoln: ***FELGATE 8,** Carr 6, Neale 6,
 Cockerill 7, Peake 6, Thompson 6, Burke 6
 (sub. Gilligan 6), Turner 6, Hobson 7, Bell 6,
 Shipley 7.
Referee: A. Robinson (Waterlooville)
Match Rating: ★★★

CHESTERFIELD (0) 1 (Walker 76)
PLYMOUTH (2) 2 (Hodges 11, Nisbet 16)
 Att: 3,149
Chesterfield: Turner 7, Bellamy 6, O'Neill 6
 (sub. Dawson), ***WILSON 8,** Green 5,
 Henson 4, Stirr 6, Henderson 6, Walker 7,
 Kowalski 5, Windridge 6.
Plymouth: ***CRUDGINGTON 8,** Nisbet 7,
 Uzzell 5, Harrison 6, Smith 7, Cooper 5,
 Hodges 7, Cook 6, Sims 7, McCartney 6,
 Rogers 7.
Referee: R. Guy (Kirby)
Match Rating: ★★★

EXETER (0) 0
SHEFFIELD UNITED (0) 3 (Morris 53, pen
 60, 90)
 Att: 3,580
Exeter: Bond 7, Kirkup 5 (sub. Howarth 6),
 Viney 6, Rogers, M 7, ***HATTER 8,** McEwan
 7, Harle 5, Rogers, P 5, Kellow 5, Delve 5,
 Pratt 5.
Sheff Utd: Conroy 6, Atkins 7, Garner 6,
 Richardson 5, West 7, Houston 7, ***MORRIS**
 9, Curran 8, Young 6, Charles 6, Brazil 6.
Referee: R. Lewis (Gt. Bookham)
Match Rating: ★★★
Sending Off: Richardson (Sheff. Utd)

HUDDERSFIELD (2) 4 (Lillis 28, 40, 68, 70)
CARDIFF (0) 0
 Att: 6,121
Huddersfield: Mason 7, Brown 8, Burke 7,
 Pugh 7 (sub. Stanton), Sutton 6, Hanvey 6,
***LILLIS 9,** Doyle 8, Russell 6, Wilson 7,
 Cowling 8.
Cardiff: ***THOMAS 7,** Jones 6, Bodin 6,
 Ingram 5, Dwyer 6, Bennett, G 5, Bennett, D
 6, Tong 6 (sub. Micallef 6), Gibbins 5,
 Hemmerman 6, Lewis 5.
Referee: D. Owen (Wirral)
Match Rating: ★★★

MILLWALL (1) 2 (Neal 29, Marshall, og 85)
WALSALL (1) 2 (Kearns 3, 51)
 Att: 3,294
Millwall: Sansome 7, Stevens 6, Madden 5,
 Massey 6, Allardye 6, ***ROBERTS 8,**
 Shinton 7, Neal 6, Aylott 7 (sub. Anderson 7),
 Martin 7, West 7.
Walsall: ***GREEN 8,** Caswell 6, Mower 6,
 Beech 7, Marshall 6, Hart 7, O'Kelly 7,
 Pendrey 6, Kearns 7 (sub. Round 7), Buckley
 7, Preece 7.
Referee: D. Letts (Hampshire)
Match Rating: ★★★

NEWPORT (1) 1 (Oakes 10)
SOUTHEND (1) 1 (Greaves 28)
 Att: 4,338
Newport: Kendall 6, Jones 6, Relish 6, Oakes
 7, Stroud 6, Bailey 7, ***LOWNDES 8,**
 Vaughan 6 (sub. Moore), Elsey 6, Aldridge 6,
 Tynan 7.
Southend: Cawston 6, Stead 7, Yates 7, Clark
 6, Cusack 6, Hadley 7, Pountney 7,
 Pennyfather 6, Otulakowski 7, ***GREAVES**
 8, Nelson 7.
Referee: K. Holbrook (Wolverhampton)
Match Rating: ★★★

ORIENT (0) 1 (Peach 63)
BRISTOL ROVERS (1) 5 (Holloway 9, 59,
 Williams, D, pen 69, Randall 75, Withey 89)
 Att: 2,534
Orient: Day 6, Osgood 5 (sub. Silkman 5),
 Roffey 5, Foster 5, ***PEACH 7,** Cunningham
 5, Godfrey 6, Lee 5, Hawley 5, Sussex 5,
 Taylor 4.
Bristol Rovers: Kite 7, Slatter 7, Williams, B
 7, Williams, G 8, Parkin 7, McCaffery 7,
***HOLLOWAY 9,** Williams, D 7, Withey 7,
 Randall 8 (sub. Channon 7), Barrett 8.
Referee: B. Hill (Northants)
Match Rating: ★★★

PORTSMOUTH (1) 3 (Rafferty 9, 71, 74)
PRESTON (1) 1 (Bruce 14)
 Att: 10,331
Portsmouth: Knight 6, Ross 6, Sullivan 5,
 Doyle 6, Aizlewood 6, Tait 5, Thomas 5, Webb
 6, ***RAFFERTY 8,** Biley 6, Rogers 7.
Preston: Arnold 6, Walsh 5 (sub. Buckley 5),
 McAteer 6, Clark 6, Westwell 6, Gowing 5,
 Kelly 6, Bell 6, Elliott 5, ***NAUGHTON 7,**
 Bruce 6.
Referee: M. Dimblebee (Stevenage)
Match Rating: ★★★

READING (0) 2 (Dixon 67, Docherty 68)
WIGAN (1) 1 (Bradd 11)
 Att: 2,621
Reading: Fearon 5, Williams 6, Richardson 6,
 Beavon 7, Hicks 6, Wood 6, Basen 6, Earles 5
 (sub. White 6), Dixon 7, Sanchez 5,
***DOHERTY 8.**
Wigan: Tunks 6, McMahon 5, Weston 6,
 Lowe 6, Lloyd 5 (sub. Langley), Methven 5,
 Butler 6, Cribley 5, Bradd 6, ***HOUGHTON**
 7, Gemmill 6.
Referee: A. R. Glasson (Salisbury)
Match Rating: ★★

WREXHAM (0) 1 (Savage 71)
OXFORD (1) 1 (Vinter 29)
 Att: 2,491
Wrexham: Niedzwiecki 7, Hunt 6, Bate 6,
 Savage 7, ***DOWMAN 8,** Muldoon 6,
 Arkwright 5, Gregory 7, Hill 6, Evans 6 (sub.
 Baker 6), Buxton 5.
Oxford: Butcher 6, Linney 6, Fogg 6, Train 7,
 Briggs 6, Shotton 6, Brock 6 (sub. Thomas),
 Barnett 7, Whatmore 6, Vinter 7,
***HEBERD 8.**
Referee: A. Banks (Manchester)
Match Rating: ★★★
Sending Off: Briggs (Oxford)

Division Four

BLACKPOOL (2) 5 (Downes, pen 12,
 Stewart 40, 47, Bamber 89, 90)
HEREFORD (0) 1 (Phillips 50)
 Att: 3,405
Blackpool: Hesford 7, Simmonite 6, Hart 6,
 Deary 5, Hetzke 7, Serella 7, Hockaday 6,
 Stewart 7, Bamber 8, ***PASHLEY 9,** Downes
 6.
Hereford: Plumley 6, Price 7, ***BRAY 8,**
 Pejic 7, Hicks 7, Bartley 6, Lane 7 (sub.
 Crabbe), Harvey 6, Showers 6, Phillips 6,
 White 7.
Referee: K. Hackett (Sheffield)
Match Rating: ★★★

BRISTOL CITY (3) 4 (Nicholls 30, Riley 35,
 43, 68)
WIMBLEDON (0) 2 (Leslie 66, Thomas, pen
 89)
 Att: 4,723
Bristol City: Shaw 7, Newman 6, Johnson 7,
 Nicholls 7, Boyle 6, Riley 7, Economou 6,
 Ritchie 6, Chandler 6, ***COOPER 8,**
 Crawford 7.

Wimbledon: Beasant 6, Peters 7, Thomas 6,
 Gage 7, Tagg 6 (sub. Galliers 6), Morris 5,
 Evans 6, Ketteridge 7, ***LESLIE 8,** Downes
 6, Hodges 6.
Referee: D. Civil (Birmingham)
Match Rating: ★★★
Sending Off: Galliers (Wimbledon)

DARLINGTON (1) 1 (Walsh 10)
BURY (0) 2 (Madden 48, Hilton 85)
 Att: 1,240
Darlington: Cuff 6, Liddle 6, Wilson 6, Smith
 7, ***HALLIDAY 8,** Kamara 5, Hawker 5,
 McLean 7, Honour 6, Walsh 6, Stalker 5.
Bury: Brown 6, Gardner 5, Kenworthy 6,
 Gore 7, Hilton 7, Bramhall 6, Firth 7 (sub.
 Parker 6), Madden 6, Johnson 6, ***JAKUB 8,**
 Cruickshank 5.
Referee: C. Seel (Carlisle)
Match Rating: ★★★

HARTLEPOOL (0) 1 (Bird 62)
ALDERSHOT (0) 1 (Sanford 69)
 Att: 1,912
Hartlepool: Watson 6, Taylor 7 (sub.
 Bainbridge 6), Stimpson 6, Hogan 7, ***BIRD**
 8, Linighan 7, Parker 6, Smith 5, Higgins 6,
 Staff 6, Johnson 6.
Aldershot: Johnson 5, Andruszewski 6,
 Gillard 6, Scott 6, Wooler 6, Jopling 7, Wood
 7, Banton 7, Goddard 5, ***MacDONALD 8,**
 Sanford 6.
Referee: A. Challinor (Rotherham)
Match Rating: ★★★

HULL (0) 4 (Marwood, pen 57, pen 60,
 Flounders 72, Whitehurst 74)
NORTHAMPTON (0) 0
 Att: 4,317
Hull: Norman 6, ***MCNEIL 8,** Askew 5,
 Richards 6, Skipper 6, Swann 4, Marwood 7,
 McClaren 6, Whitehurst 6, Flounders 5 (sub.
 Woolf), Roberts, G 6.
Northampton: Freeman 6, Tucker 5, Phillips
 5, Burrows 5, Gage (sub. Syrett 6), Saunders
 6, Denyer 5, ***BUCHANAN, J 7,** Heeley 6,
 Massey 5, Buchanan, D 6.
Referee: G. N. Tyson (Sunderland)
Match Rating: ★★
Sending Off: Freeman (Northampton)

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MATCHFACTS MATCHFACTS

PETERBOROUGH (0) 1 (Clarke 48)
TORQUAY (3) 3 (Carter 4, 15, Cooper 39)
 Att: 2,869

Peterborough: Seaman 6, Cliss 6, Imlach 6,
 ★**GYNNE** 7, Firm 6, Rodaway 6, Clarke 5,
 Quow 6, Linton 5, Benjamin 6, Chard 5 (sub.
 Collins 6).

Torquay: Horn 7, Doyle 6, O'Donnell 6,
 Wilson 6, Boulton 7, Little 6, Grapes 6.

★**CARTER** 8 (sub. Rioch), Cooper 7,
 Anderson 6, Gallagher 7.

Referee: E. Scales (Ware)

Match Rating: ★★

ROCHDALE (0) 2 (Hilditch 60, Thompson 84)
HALIFAX (2) 2 (Spooner 31, Keenan, og 32)
 Att: 1,765

Rochdale: Pearce 6, Keenan 6, Snookes 6,
 Farrell 6, Garner 6, Williams 6, Thompson 6.

★**COMSTIVE** 7, French 5 (sub. Martinez),
 Wellings 5, Hilditch 6.

Halifax: Smelt 6, Nobbs 6, Goodman 6, Evans
 7, Smith 6, Hendrie 6 (sub. Hallybone 6).

Wood 6, ★**DAVISON** 8, Spooner 6, Nuttall 6,
 Ward 6.

Referee: A. Seville (Birmingham)

Match Rating: ★★

SCUNTHORPE (0) 2 (Baines 66, Cowling 84)
TRANMERE (0) 1 (Brown 59)
 Att: 3,052

Scunthorpe: Neenan 6, ★**KEELEY** 8, Baines
 6, Hunter 7, Pointon 7, Parkinson 7, Angus 6.

Leman 6, O'Berg 7, Cowling 6, Camack 7.

Tranmere: ★**ENDERSBY** 8, Burgess 6,
 Parry 7, Mathias 7, Powell 6, Williams 7.

Mungall 7, Ferguson 6, Aspinall 7, Brown 7,
 Griffiths 7.

Referee: J. Hunting (Leicester)

Match Rating: ★★

SWINDON (2) 4 (Rideout 25, Barnard 40,
 Rowland 57, Pritchard 74)
MANSFIELD (0) 0
 Att: 3,917

Swindon: Allan 7, Henry 6, Baddeley 8,
 Emmanuel 8, Lewis 7, Graham 7, Pritchard 8.

Batty 7, Rideout 7 (sub. Quinn 7), Rowland 6,
 ★**BARNARD** 9.

Mansfield: ★**ARNOLD** 8, Woodhead 7,
 Kennedy 6, Day 6, Ayre 7, Bird 7, Matthews 7.

Dungworth 6, Waddell 5, Hutchinson 6, Bell
 7.

Referee: M. L. James (Horsham)

Match Rating: ★★

SCOTTISH Premier Division

DUNDEE (1) 1 (Stephen 21)
ST MIRREN (0) 1 (McAvennie 66)
 Att: 4,831

Dundee: Kelly 6, Glennie 7, McKinnie 6 (sub.
 Bell 6), Fraser 7, Smith 6, MacDonald 7.

Ferguson 6 (sub. Davidson), Fleming 7.

★**SINCLAIR** 8, Mackie 6, Stephen 7.

St Mirren: Thomson 7, ★**WILSON** 8, Clarke
 6, Fitzpatrick 6 (sub. Sumner 6), Fulton 7.

Copland 7, McDougall 6, Stark 7, McAvennie
 6, Abercrombie 6, Scanlon 6 (sub. Richardson
 6).

Referee: B. McGinlay (Glasgow)

Match Rating: ★★

KILMARNOCK (0) 0
ABERDEEN (1) 2 (Black 2, Hewitt 78)
 Att: 3,400

Kilmarnock: McCulloch 7, Robertson 6,
 McLeod 6, Clark 7, McDicken 7, Clarke 6.

McGivern 6, McLean 7 (sub. Bourke 6),
 Gallagher 6, McClurg 6, ★**BRYSON** 8.

Aberdeen: Leighton 7, Cooper 6, Rougvie 8,
 McMaster 6, McLeish 7, Miller 7, Strachan 6
 (sub. Hewitt 7), Simpson 6, Black 7, Bell 7,
 Weir 6.

Referee: R. Cuthill (Winchburgh)

Match Rating: ★★

MORTON (0) 1 (Rooney 70)
CELTIC (2) 2 (McGarvey 23, Nicholas, pen
 40)
 Att: 12,000

Morton: Baines 7, Houston 6, ★**HOLMES** 8,
 Rooney 6, McLaughlin 7, Duffy 6, McNab 6.

Docherty 6 (sub. Gavigan 6), Hutchison 7,
 Cochran 6, Ritchie 6 (sub. McNeil).

Celtic: Bonner 7, McGrain 6, Reid 7,
 ★**AITKEN** 8, McAdam 6, Sinclair 7, Provan
 7, McStay 6, McGarvey 6 (sub. Crainie),
 MacLeod 7, Nicholas 7.

Referee: H. Alexander (Irvine)

Match Rating: ★★

MOTHERWELL (0) 0
DUNDEE UNITED (0) 2 (Narey 88, Kirkwood
 89)
 Att: 4,555

Motherwell: Sproat 7, MacLeod 7, Forsyth 6,
 Carson 7, ★**EDVALDSSON** 8, Mauchlen 7.

Burns 6 (sub. Gahagan 7), Flavell 6,
 McLelland 6 (sub. Rafferty), McLaughlin 7,
 O'Hara 7.

Dunfermline: McAlpine 7, Holt 6, Stark 7,
 Gough 7, Hegarty 7, ★**NAREY** 8, Malpas 6,
 Milne 7, Kirkwood 7, Britton 6 (sub. Reilly 6),
 Dods 7.

Referee: A. Ferguson (Glasgow)

Match Rating: ★★

RANGERS (2) 3 (Johnstone 9, 55,
 McNamara, og 21)
HIBERNIAN (1) 2 (Murray 17, 86)
 Att: 16,000

Rangers: Stewart 7, ★**McKINNON** 8,
 Redford 7, McClelland 7, Stevens 6, Bett 7.

Cooper 6, Prytz 6 (sub. Dawson), Johnstone 7,
 Russell 7, MacDonald 6 (sub. Robertson).

Hibs: McArthur 7 (sub. Rodier 6), Sneddon 7,
 Duncan 7, McNamara 6, Rae 7, Turnbull 6,
 ★**CALLACHAN** 8, Conroy 6, Irvine 7,
 Thomson 6, Murray 6.

Referee: H. Young (Glasgow)

Match Rating: ★★

First Division

AIRDRIE (0) 3 (Gordon 54, McGuire 83,
 McLaughlan 89)
AYR UTD. (0) 1 (Larnach 76)
 Att: 1,100

Clyde (0) 2 (Masterton 46, 47)
ALLOA (0) 0
 Att: 670

DUMBARTON (0) 1 (Stevenson 74)
PARTICK THISTLE (0) 1 (Watson, pen 49)
 Att: 1,500

FALKIRK (0) 0
CLYDEBANK (0) 2 (Ronald 55, Williamson
 89)
 Att: 1,500

HEARTS (1) 4 (O'Connor 2, Bowman 49,
 Johnston 72, McDonald 79)
DUNFERMLINE (1) 1 (Hammill 11)
 Att: 5,997

RAITH (1) 4 (Robinson 13, Harris 70, Russell
 80, Kerr 89)
HAMILTON (1) 1 (Wright 43)
 Att: 1,000

ST JOHNSTONE (2) 4 (Morton, pen 5,
 Brogan 40, 84, Pelosi 48)
QUEEN'S PARK (0) 1 (McFarland 83)
 Att: 2,321

Second Division

BERWICK (2) 4 (Davidson 29, Romaines 37,
 Cashmore 82, Tracey 86)
ALBION (0) 0
 Att: 665

COWDENBEATH (0) 1 (McIntosh 72)
EAST STIRLING (1) 1 (Grant 38)
 Att: 908

FORFAR (1) 4 (McPhee, pen 21, Downie 65,
 Clark 75, 88)
EAST FIFE (1) 1 (Thomson, pen 35)
 Att: 670

MEADOWBANK (0) 2 (Sprott 48, Boyd 67)
ARBROATH (0) 1 (Robb 75)
 Att: 900

MONTROSE (1) 1 (Craig 31)
STENHOUSEMUIR (0) 0
 Att: 250

QUEEN OF THE SOUTH (2) 3 (Robertson 2,
 51, Alexander 20)
BRECHIN (0) 1 (Campbell, l 89)
 Att: 600

STRANRAER (0) 1 (McDonald 58)
STIRLING ALBION (0) 1 (Steele 89)
 Att: 350

Division One

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Spurs ... 11 4 1 1 21 7 2 1 2 4 6 20

Liverpool ... 11 3 2 0 14 6 2 2 2 7 5 19

West Ham ... 11 3 1 1 14 5 3 0 3 8 10 19

Watford ... 11 4 2 0 17 3 1 1 3 5 8 18

Everton ... 11 4 2 0 16 6 1 0 4 6 9 17

Stoke City ... 11 3 2 1 14 10 2 0 3 7 6 17

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Arsenal ... 11 2 1 2 7 6 2 1 3 4 6 14

Swansea ... 11 4 0 2 11 9 0 2 3 3 9 14

Coventry ... 11 4 0 1 7 4 0 2 4 11 14

Sunderland ... 11 2 2 1 7 4 1 1 4 8 18 12

Ipswich ... 11 1 1 3 5 7 1 4 1 10 6 11

Norwich ... 11 2 2 2 9 7 0 3 2 5 12 11

Notts County ... 11 3 1 1 6 7 0 1 5 6 14 11

Southampton ... 11 3 0 2 6 5 0 2 4 4 17 11

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Division Two

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Exeter ... 12 2 2 2 12 11 1 1 4 5 16 12

Walsall ... 12 2 1 3 5 8 0 3 7 15 13

Orient ... 12 2 1 3 10 14 1 0 5 2 18 10

Doncaster ... 12 2 3 1 21 17 0 0 6 3 15 9

Division Four

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Cheshthorpe ... 12 3 2 1 8 4 4 2 0 8 2 25

Port Vale ... 12 3 2 1 9 4 4 1 1 10 3 24

Torquay ... 12 4 1 0 15 6 1 2 3 4 10 24

Swindon ... 12 4 0 1 9 1 2 4 1 6 5 22

Hull City ... 12 3 3 0 14 3 2 2 2 5 6 20

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Blackpool ... 12 3 4 0 12 5 1 1 3 5 10 17

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Chester ... 11 2 2 2 9 6 2 2 1 5 3 16

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Northampton ... 13 3 3 2 13 9 1 1 3 4 10 16

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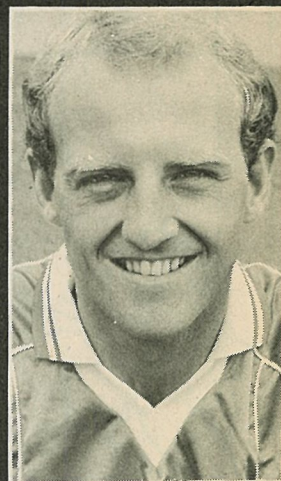
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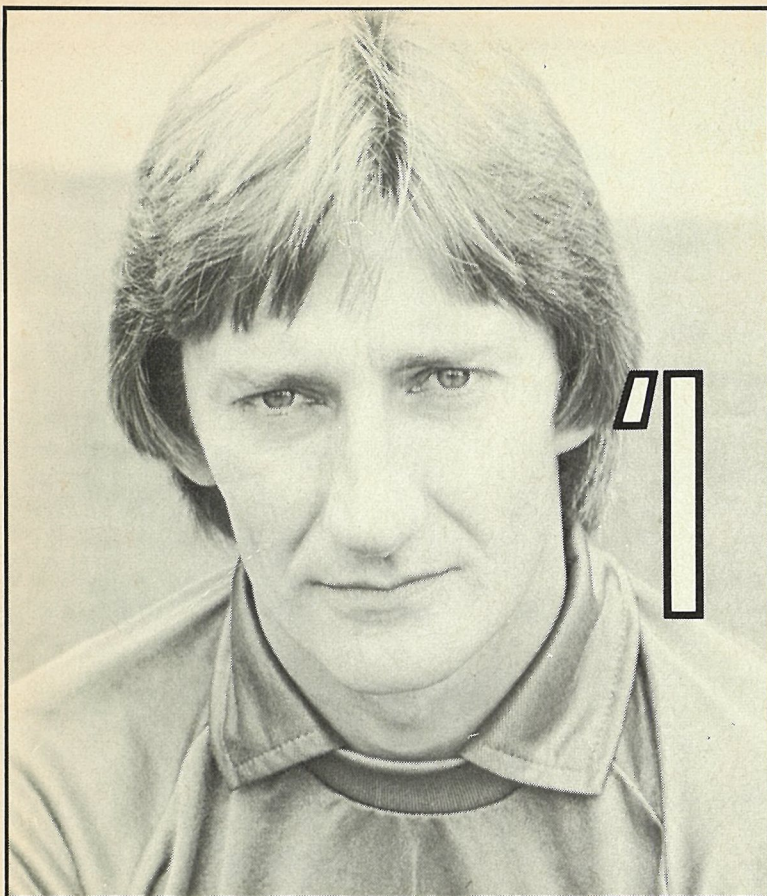
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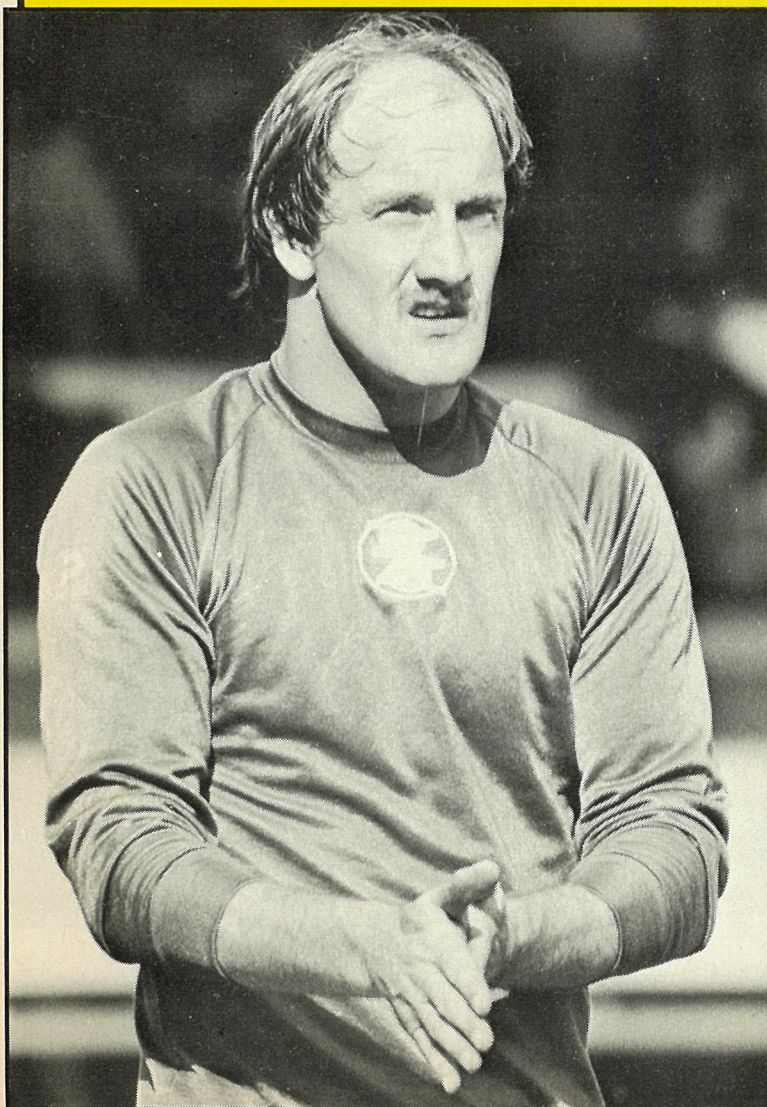
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Jeff Wealands — desperate to leave Birmingham.

Below: Jim Blyth: "His arrival didn't affect my position at Birmingham in the slightest," says Jeff Wealands.



BIRMINGHAM 'KEEPER JEFF IS DESPERATE TO MOVE ON . . .

'I MUST GO'

BIRMINGHAM'S transfer-listed goalkeeper Jeff Wealands is desperate to leave St Andrews.

Jeff, a regular in the side for the last three years, now finds himself third choice behind new signing Jim Blyth and youngster Tony Coton.

And he admits: "Manager Ron Saunders doesn't want me and I don't want to stay. It's best for both parties if I go as quickly as possible.

"I've got to get away and start enjoying my football again. The last year has been a waste of time for me."

Jeff's problems started at the end of last season with the arrival of Ron Saunders from Aston Villa.

"It's a fact of football life that when a new manager comes to a club he brings in fresh ideas and rates players differently.

"I'd been struggling all last season with niggling injuries and had only played twice in three months when he arrived. Despite that I went into the first team, but I didn't play well.

"In many ways it was my own fault because I shouldn't have played. I was a long way from being match fit," says Jeff, who started his League career with Wolves.

Ironically, Jeff lost his place for the game against Wolves in April last season and hasn't played in the first team since.

"The arrival of Jim Blyth from Coventry didn't affect my future at Birmingham in the slightest. I wasn't playing in the team anyway."

Jeff knows that getting away from St Andrews won't be easy. He says: "There's no money in football at the moment.

"The manager wants to buy new players but he can't do that until he's got rid of those he doesn't want. It's the same at most clubs now.

"I'm 31 and don't want to start going down the divisions. Playing for a team like Rochdale or Peterborough just doesn't appeal to me.

"There's not a lot left in football in this country so I

might have to play abroad. I've always fancied going to America.

"I could have joined Edmonton Drillers a couple of years ago but I chose not to because my wife was pregnant.

"It's not going to be easy to get fixed up with a club over there now either. The North American Soccer League also has its financial problems.

"I haven't had any offers, although I've been in touch with a couple of agents. It's early days yet because the American season has just finished."

Jeff could have joined Notts County just before the season kicked off, but he explains: "It wasn't worth my while.

"I'd only have gone as cover for Raddy Avramovic and at my age reserve football is no good to me. Had I been 20-years-old I might have gone, but I can't afford to wait."

Even though Jeff is restricted to playing one reserve game every two or three weeks, he hasn't lost faith in his own ability.

"I know that I can still produce the goods at the highest level. My problems at Birmingham haven't dented my confidence.

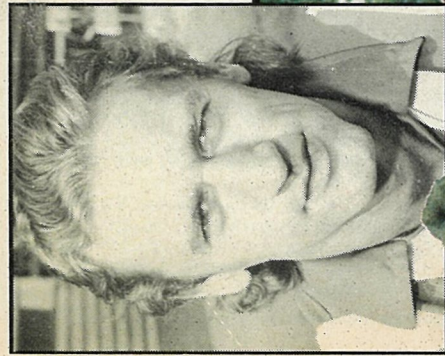
"It's hard not being involved in the first team and training with the juniors, but I haven't let it get me down. You've got to keep smiling and hope something turns up."

Birmingham are once again facing a battle against relegation to the Second Division and Jeff admits: "They'll do very well to stay up.

"The manager has got rid of some of his best players and he's replaced them with people who aren't so good. He wants runners and workers in his team.

"That's up to him because he's in charge of the club, but Frank Worthington, Archie Gemmill and Colin Todd all had flair and they've all left the club.

"Previous boss Jim Smith liked players who could express themselves and that's why he brought players of their calibre to the club."



DONCASTER Rovers



Back row (left to right): Carl Swan, Steve Lister, Alan Warboys, Dennis Peacock, Willie Boyd, Hugh Dowd, Ian Nimmo, Colin Douglas, Graham Cawthorne.
Front row: Glenn Humphries, Alan Little, Garry Liddell, Stewart Mell, Glynn Snodin, Ian Snodin, Daral Pugh (now Huddersfield), Billy Russell.
Inset: Terry Austin.

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